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(57) Abstract The invention provides isolated nucleic acid molecules, designated TANGO 128, TANGO 140, TANGO 197, TANGO 212, TANGO 213, TANGO 224 and TANGO 239. These nucleic acid molecules encode wholly secreted and transmembrane proteins. The invention also provides antisense nucleic acid molecules, expression vectors containing the nucleic acid molecules of the invention, host cells into which the expression vectors have been introduced, and nonhuman transgenic animals in which a nucleic acid molecule of the invention has been introduced or disrupted. The invention still further provides isolated polypeptides, fusion polypeptides, antigenic peptides and antibodies. Diagnostic, screening and therapeutic methods utilizing compositions of the invention are also provided.		

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SECRETED PROTEINS AND NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING THEM

Cross Reference to Related Applications

This application is a continuation-in-part of co-pending Application No. 09/223,546
5 filed December 30, 1998, which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

Background of the Invention

Many secreted proteins, for example, cytokines and cytokine receptors, play a vital
role in the regulation of cell growth, cell differentiation, and a variety of specific cellular
10 responses. A number of medically useful proteins, including erythropoietin, granulocyte-
macrophage colony stimulating factor, human growth hormone, and various interleukins,
are secreted proteins. Thus, an important goal in the design and development of new
therapies is the identification and characterization of secreted and transmembrane proteins
and the genes which encode them.

15 Many secreted proteins are receptors which bind a ligand and transduce an
intracellular signal, leading to a variety of cellular responses. The identification and
characterization of such a receptor enables one to identify both the ligands which bind to the
receptor and the intracellular molecules and signal transduction pathways associated with
the receptor, permitting one to identify or design modulators of receptor activity, e.g.,
20 receptor agonists or antagonists and modulators of signal transduction.

Summary of the Invention

The present invention is based, at least in part, on the discovery of cDNA molecules
encoding TANGO 128, TANGO 140, TANGO 197, TANGO 212, TANGO 213, TANGO
25 224, and TANGO 239, all of which are either wholly secreted or transmembrane proteins.
These proteins, fragments, derivatives, and variants thereof are collectively referred to as
polypeptides of the invention or proteins of the invention. Nucleic acid molecules encoding
polypeptides of the invention are collectively referred to as nucleic acids of the invention.

The nucleic acids and polypeptides of the present invention are useful as modulating
30 agents in regulating a variety of cellular processes. Accordingly, in one aspect, the present
invention provides isolated nucleic acid molecules encoding a polypeptide of the invention
or a biologically active portion thereof. The present invention also provides nucleic acid
molecules which are suitable as primers or hybridization probes for the detection of nucleic
acids encoding a polypeptide of the invention.

35 The invention features nucleic acid molecules which are at least 45% (or 55%, 65%,
75%, 85%, 95%, or 98%) identical to the nucleotide sequence of any of SEQ ID NOs:1, 3,
4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68,
70, 71, 73, or the nucleotide sequence of the cDNA of a clone deposited with ATCC as any

of Accession Numbers 98999, 202171, 98965, and 98966 (the "cDNA of a clone deposited as any of ATCC 98999, 202171, 98965, and 98966"), or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules which are at least 45% (or 55%, 65%, 75%, 85%, 95%, or 98%) identical to the nucleotide sequence of any of SEQ ID NOs:1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, or the nucleotide sequence of the cDNA of a clone deposited with ATCC as any of Accession Numbers 98999, 202171, 98965, and 98966 (the "cDNA of a clone deposited as any of ATCC 98999, 202171, 98965, and 98966"), or a complement thereof, wherein such nucleic acid molecules encode polypeptides or proteins that exhibit at least one structural and/or functional feature of a polypeptide of the invention.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules of at least 570, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950, 1000, 1100, 1200, 1300, 1400, 1500, 1600, 1700, 1800, 1900, 2000, 2100, 2200, 2300, 2400, 2500, 2600, 2700, 2800 or 2835 nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:1, the nucleotide sequence of the TANGO 128 cDNA clone of ATCC Accession No. 98999, or a complement thereof. The invention also features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950, 1000, 1050, 1100, 1150, 1200, 1250, 1300, 1350, 1400, 1450, 1500, 1550, 1600, 1650, 1700, 1750, 1800, 1850, 1900, 1950, 2000, 2050, 2100, 2150, 2200 or 2230 nucleotides of nucleic acids 1 to 2233 of SEQ ID NO:1, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules which include a fragment of at least 15, 25, 50, 75, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950, 1000 or 1030 nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:3, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules of at least 250, 275, 300, 325, 350, 375, 400, 425, 450, 475, 500, 525, 550, 575, 600, 625, 650, 675, 700, 725, 750 or 760 nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:53, the nucleotide sequence of a mouse TANGO 128 cDNA, or a complement thereof. The invention features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70 or 77 nucleotides of nucleic acids 1 to 78 of SEQ ID NO:53, or a complement thereof. The invention features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55 or 60 nucleotides of nucleic acids 257 to 318 of SEQ ID NO:53, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 225, 250, 275, 300, 325, 350, 375, 400, 425, 450, 475, 500, 525 or 550 nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:55, or a complement thereof. The invention also features nucleic

acid molecules comprising at least 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55 or 60 nucleotides of nucleic acids 46 to 107 of SEQ ID NO:55, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules of at least 425, 450, 475, 500, 525, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950, 1000, 1100, 1200, 1300, 1400, 1500 or 1540
5 nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:4, the nucleotide sequence of a human TANGO 140-1 cDNA, the nucleotide sequence of the TANGO 140-1 cDNA clone of ATCC Accession No. 98999, or a complement thereof. The invention also features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350 400, 450, 500 or 540 nucleotides of nucleic acids 1 to 545 of SEQ ID NO:4, or a complement thereof.
10 The invention also features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 550 or 580 nucleotides of nucleic acids 980 to 1550 of SEQ ID NO:4, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules of at least 425, 450, 475, 500, 525, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950, 1000, 1100, 1200, 1300, 1400, 1500, 1650,
15 1700, 1750, 1800, 1850, 1900, 1950, 2000, 2050, 2100, 2150, 2200, 2300, 2350, 2400, 2450, 2500, 2550, 2600, 2650, 2700, 2750, 2800, 2850, 2900, 2950, 3000, 3050, 3100, 3150, 3200, 3250, 3300, 3350 or 3385 nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:6, the nucleotide sequence of a human TANGO 140-2 cDNA, the nucleotide sequence of the TANGO 140-2 cDNA clone of ATCC Accession No. 98999, or a complement
20 thereof. The invention also features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350 400, 450, 500 or 540 nucleotides of nucleic acids 1 to 545 of SEQ ID NO:6, or a complement thereof. The invention also features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950, 1000, 1100, 1200, 1300, 1400, 1500, 1650, 1700, 1750, 1800,
25 1850, 1900, 1950, 2000, 2050, 2100, 2150, 2200, 2300, 2350 or 2400 nucleotides of nucleic acids 980 to 3385 of SEQ ID NO:6, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 75, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 550, 600 or 615 nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:38 or 39, or a complement thereof. The invention features nucleic acid
30 molecules comprising at least 25, 75, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500 or 545 nucleotides of nucleic acids 1 to 545 of SEQ ID NO:38 or 39, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules of at least 520, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950, 1000, 1100, 1200, 1300, 1400, 1500, 1600, 1700, 1800, 1900, 2000, 2100, 2200, 2250 or 2270 nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:8,
35 the nucleotide sequence of the TANGO 197 cDNA clone of ATCC Accession No. 98999, or a complement thereof. The invention also features nucleic acid molecules comprising at

least 25, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750 or 785 nucleotides of nucleic acids 1 to 789 of SEQ ID NO:8, or a complement thereof. The invention also features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450 or 500 nucleotides of nucleic acids 1164 to 1669 of SEQ ID NO:8, 5 or a complement thereof. The invention also features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 50 or 80 nucleotides of nucleic acids 2190 to 2272 of SEQ ID NO:8, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules which include a fragment of at least 380, 400, 450, 500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950, 1000, 1100, 1200, 1300, 10 1400, 1500, 1600, 1700, 1750 or 1770 nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:10, or a complement thereof. The invention also features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 550 or 575 nucleotides of nucleic acids 1 to 576 of SEQ ID NO:10, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules of at least 515, 550, 600, 650, 700, 15 750, 800, 850, 900, 950, 1000, 1100, 1200, 1300, 1400, 1500, 1600, 1700, 1800, 1900, 2000, 2100, 2200, 2250, 2300, 2350, 2400, 2450, 2500, 2550, 2600, 2650, 2700, 2750, 2800, 2850, 2900, 2950, 3000, 3050, 3100, 3150, 3200, 3250, 3300, 3500, 3550, 3600, 3650, 3700, 3750, 3800, 3850, 3900, 3950, 4000, 4050, 4100, 4150, 4200, 4250, 4300, 4350, 4400 or 4415 nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:56, the 20 nucleotide sequence of a mouse TANGO 197 cDNA, or a complement thereof. The invention also features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950, 1000, 1050, 1100, 1150, 1200, 1250, 1300, 1350, 1400, 1450, 1500, 1550, 1600, 1650, 1700, 1750, 1800, 1850, 1900, 1950, 2000, 2050, 2100, 2200, 2250, 2300, 2350, 2400, 2450, 2500, 25 2550, 2600, 2650, 2700, 2750, 2800, 2850, 2900, 2950, 3000, 3050, 3100 or 3135 nucleotides of nucleic acids 1 to 3138 of SEQ ID NO:56, or a complement thereof. The invention also features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300 or 320 nucleotides of nucleic acids 4094 to 4417 of SEQ ID NO:56, or a complement thereof.

30 The invention features nucleic acid molecules which include a fragment of at least 390, 400, 450, 500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950, 1000, 1100 or 1140 nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:58, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules of at least 545, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950, 1000, 1100, 1200, 1300, 1400, 1500, 1600, 1700, 1800, 1900, 2000, 35 2100, 2200, 2250, 2300, 2350, 2400 or 2435 nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:11, the nucleotide sequence of the TANGO 212 cDNA clone of ATCC

Accession No. 202171 or a complement thereof. The invention also features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950, 1000, 1050, 1100, 1150, 1200, 1250 or 1270 nucleotides of nucleic acids 1 to 1273 of SEQ ID NO:11, or a complement thereof. The invention also
5 features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300 or 320 nucleotides of nucleic acids 4094 to 4417 of SEQ ID NO:11, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules which include a fragment of at least 240, 275, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950, 1000, 1100, 1150, 1200, 1250, 1300, 1350, 1400, 1450, 1500, 1550, 1600 or 1660 nucleotides of the
10 nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:13, or a complement thereof. The invention also features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850 or 900 nucleotides of nucleic acids 1 to 905 of SEQ ID NO:13, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules of at least 785, 800, 850, 900, 950,
15 1000, 1050, 1100, 1150 or 1180 nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:59, the nucleotide sequence of a mouse TANGO 212 cDNA, or a complement thereof. The invention also features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 50, 100, 150 or 190 nucleotides of nucleic acids 983 to 1180 of SEQ ID NO:59, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules which include a fragment of at least
20 570, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950 or 998 nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:61, or a complement thereof. The invention also features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 50, 100, 150 or 180 nucleotides of nucleic acids 804 to 999 of SEQ ID NO:61, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules of at least 530, 600, 650, 700, 750,
25 800, 850, 900, 950, 1000, 1100, 1200, 1300, 1400 or 1495 nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:14, the nucleotide sequence of the TANGO 213 cDNA clone of ATCC Accession No. 98965, or a complement thereof. The invention also features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300 or 360 nucleotides of nucleic acids 1 to 361 of SEQ ID NO:14, or a complement thereof. The invention also
30 features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 40, 50 or 60 nucleotides of nucleic acids 759 to 822 of SEQ ID NO:14, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules which include a fragment of at least 250, 275, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800 or 810 nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:16, or a complement thereof. The invention also
35 features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250 or 300 nucleotides of nucleic acids 1 to 304 of SEQ ID NO:16, or a complement thereof. The

invention also features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 40, 50 or 60 nucleotides of nucleic acids 701 to 764 of SEQ ID NO:16, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules of at least 530, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950, 1000, 1100, 1200, 1300, 1400, 1500, 1600, 1700, 1800, 1900, 2000, 5 2100 or 2150 nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:62, the nucleotide sequence of a mouse TANGO 213 cDNA, or a complement thereof. The invention also features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950 or 1000 nucleotides of nucleic acids 1 to 1018 of SEQ ID NO:62, or a complement thereof. The invention also features 10 nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900 or 920 nucleotides of nucleic acids 1227 to 2154 of SEQ ID NO:62, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules which include a fragment of at least 25, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 275, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 550 or 575 nucleotides of the 15 nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:64, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules of at least 570, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950, 1000, 1100, 1200, 1300, 1400, 1500, 1600, 1700, 1800, 1900, 2000, 2100, 2150, 2200, 2250, 2300, 2350, 2400, 2450, 2500, 2550, 2600, 2650 or 2680 nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NOs:17 or 65, the nucleotide sequence of 20 a human TANGO 224 cDNA form 1 or form 2 respectively, the nucleotide sequence of the TANGO 213 cDNA clone of ATCC Accession Number 98966, or a complement thereof. The invention also features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250 or 270 nucleotides of nucleic acids 1 to 272 of SEQ ID NO:17 or 65, or a complement thereof. The invention also features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25 25, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950, 1000, 1050, 1100, 1150, 1200, 1250, 1300, 1350, 1400, 1450, 1500 or 1530 nucleotides of nucleic acids 573 to 2106 of SEQ ID NO:17 or 65, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules which include a fragment of at least 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950, 1000, 1050, 1100, 30 1150, 1200, 1250, 1300 or 1360 nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:19, or a complement thereof. The invention also features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 40, 50, 100, 150 or 200 nucleotides of nucleic acids 1 to 204 of SEQ ID NO:19, or a complement thereof. The invention also features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 40, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 35 850, 900 or 930 nucleotides of nucleic acids 507 to 1440 of SEQ ID NO:19, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules which include a fragment of at least 570, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950, 1000, 1100, 1200, 1300, 1400, 1500, 1600, 1700, 1800, 1900, 2000, 2100, 2150, 2200, 2250, 2300, 2350, 2400, 2450, 2500, 2550, 2600, 2650 or 2680 nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:67, or a complement thereof. The invention also features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 40, 50, 100, 150 or 200 nucleotides of nucleic acids 1 to 204 of SEQ ID NO:67, or a complement thereof. The invention also features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 40, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950, 1000, 1050, 1100, 1150, 1200, 1250, 1300, 1350, 1400, 1450, 1500 or 1530 nucleotides of nucleic acids 507 to 2038 of SEQ ID NO:67, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules of at least 550, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950, 1000, 1100, 1200, 1300, 1400, 1500, 1600, 1700, 1800, 1900, 2000, 2100, 2150, 2200, 2250, 2300, 2350, 2400, 2450, 2500, 2550, 2600, 2650, 2700, 2750, 2800, 2850, 2900, 2950, 3000, 3050, 3100, 3150, 3200, 3250, 3300, 3350 or 3400 nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NOs:20 or 68, the nucleotide sequence of the TANGO 239 cDNA clone of ATCC Accession No. 98999, or a complement thereof. The invention also features nucleic acid molecules comprising at least 25, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950, 1000, 1100, 1200, 1300, 1400, 1500, 1600, 1700, 1800, 1900, 2000, 2100, 2150, 2200 or 2225 nucleotides of nucleic acids 1 to 2227 of SEQ ID NOs:20 or 68, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules which include a fragment of at least 25, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950, 1000, 1050, 1100, 1150, 1200, 1250, 1300, 1350, 1400, 1450, 1500, 1550, 1600 or 1650 nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:22, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules which include a fragment of at least 25, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950, 1000, 1050, 1100, 1150, 1200, 1250, 1300, 1350, 1400, 1450, 1500, 1550, 1600, 1650, 1700, 1750, 1800, 1850, 1900, 1950, 2000 or 2050 nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:70, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules of at least 25, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 900, 950, 1000 or 1028 nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NOs:20 or 68, the nucleotide sequence of a mouse TANGO 239 cDNA, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules which include a fragment of at least 25, 50, 100, 150 or 160 nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:73, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules which include a fragment of at least 300 (325, 350, 375, 400, 425, 450, 500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 800, 900, 1000, or 1200) nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of any of SEQ ID Nos: 1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, or the
5 nucleotide sequence of the cDNA of a clone deposited as any of ATCC 98999, 202171, 98965, and 98966, or a complement thereof.

The invention features nucleic acid molecules which include a fragment of at least 300 (325, 350, 375, 400, 425, 450, 500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 800, 900, 1000, or 1200) nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of any of SEQ ID Nos: 1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14,
10 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, or the nucleotide sequence of the cDNA of a clone deposited as any of ATCC 98999, 202171, 98965, and 98966, or a complement thereof, wherein such nucleic acid molecules encode polypeptides or proteins that exhibit at least one structural and/or functional feature of a polypeptide of the invention.

15 The invention also features nucleic acid molecules which include a nucleotide sequence encoding a protein having an amino acid sequence that is at least 45% (or 55%, 65%, 75%, 85%, 95%, or 98%) identical to the amino acid sequence of any of SEQ ID NOs:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, or the amino acid sequence encoded by the cDNA of a clone deposited as any of ATCC 98999, 202171, 98965, and
20 98966, or a complement thereof.

The invention also features nucleic acid molecules which include a nucleotide sequence encoding a protein having an amino acid sequence that is at least 45% (or 55%, 65%, 75%, 85%, 95%, or 98%) identical to the amino acid sequence of any of SEQ ID NOs:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, or the amino acid sequence
25 encoded by the cDNA of a clone deposited as any of ATCC 98999, 202171, 98965, and 98966, or a complement thereof, wherein the protein encoded by the nucleotide sequence also exhibits at least one structural and/or functional feature of a polypeptide of the invention.

In preferred embodiments, the nucleic acid molecules have the nucleotide sequence
30 of any of SEQ ID NOs:1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, or the nucleotide sequence of the cDNA of a clone deposited as any of ATCC 98999, 202171, 98965, and 98966, or a complement thereof

Also within the invention are nucleic acid molecules which encode a fragment of a polypeptide having the amino acid sequence of any of SEQ ID NOs:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18,
35 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, the fragment including at least 15 (20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75, 80, 85, 90, 95, 100, 110, 120, 130, 140, 150, 160, 170, 180, 190, 200,

210, 220, 230, 240, 250, 260, 270, 280, 290, 300, 310, 320, 330, 340, 350, 360, 370, 380, 390 or 400) contiguous amino acids of any of SEQ ID NOs:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, or the polypeptide encoded by the cDNA of a clone deposited as any of ATCC 98999, 202171, 98965, and 98966.

5 Also within the invention are nucleic acid molecules which encode a fragment of a polypeptide having the amino acid sequence of any of SEQ ID NOs:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, the fragment including at least 15 (20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75, 80, 85, 90, 95, 100, 110, 120, 130, 140, 150, 160, 170, 180, 190, 200, 210, 220, 230, 240, 250, 260, 270, 280, 290, 300, 310, 320, 330, 340, 350, 360, 370, 380, 10 390 or 400) contiguous amino acids of any of SEQ ID NOs:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, or the polypeptide encoded by the cDNA of a clone deposited as any of ATCC 98999, 202171, 98965, and 98966, wherein the fragment exhibits at least one structural and/or functional feature of a polypeptide of the invention.

The invention includes nucleic acid molecules which encode a naturally occurring
15 allelic variant of a polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence of any of SEQ ID NOs:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, or an amino acid sequence encoded by the cDNA of a clone deposited as any of ATCC 98999, 202171, 98965, and 98966, or a complement thereof, wherein the nucleic acid molecule hybridizes under stringent conditions to a nucleic acid molecule having a nucleic acid sequence encoding any of SEQ
20 ID NOs:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, or a complement thereof.

The invention includes nucleic acid molecules which encode a naturally occurring allelic variant of a polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence of any of SEQ ID NOs:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, or an amino acid sequence encoded by the cDNA of a clone deposited as any of ATCC 98999, 202171, 98965, and 98966, or a
25 complement thereof, wherein the nucleic acid molecule hybridizes under stringent conditions to a nucleic acid molecule having a nucleic acid sequence encoding any of SEQ ID NOs:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, or a complement thereof, wherein such nucleic acid molecules encode polypeptides or proteins that exhibit at least one structural and/or functional feature of a polypeptide of the invention.

30 Also within the invention are isolated polypeptides or proteins having an amino acid sequence that is at least about 65%, preferably 75%, 85%, 95%, or 98% identical to the amino acid sequence of any of SEQ ID NOs:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, or 72.

Also within the invention are isolated polypeptides or proteins having an amino acid
35 sequence that is at least about 65%, preferably 75%, 85%, 95%, or 98% identical to the amino acid sequence of any of SEQ ID NOs:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69,

72, wherein the polypeptides or proteins also exhibit at least one structural and/or functional feature of a polypeptide of the invention.

Also within the invention are isolated polypeptides or proteins which preferably are encoded by a nucleic acid molecule having a nucleotide sequence that is at least about 65%,
5 75%, 85%, or 95% identical the nucleic acid sequence encoding any of SEQ ID NOs:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, wherein the polypeptides or proteins preferably also exhibit at least one structural and/or functional feature of a polypeptide of the invention, and isolated polypeptides or proteins which are encoded by a nucleic acid molecule having a nucleotide sequence which hybridizes under stringent hybridization
10 conditions to a nucleic acid molecule having the sequence of any of SEQ ID NOs:1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, or a complement thereof, or the non-coding strand of the cDNA of a clone deposited as any of ATCC 98999, 202171, 98965, and 98966.

Also within the invention are polypeptides which are naturally occurring allelic
15 variants of a polypeptide that includes the amino acid sequence of any of SEQ ID NOs:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, or an amino acid sequence encoded by the cDNA of a clone deposited as any of ATCC 98999, 202171, 98965, and 98966, wherein the polypeptide is encoded by a nucleic acid molecule which hybridizes under stringent conditions to a nucleic acid molecule having the sequence of any of SEQ ID Nos:1, 3, 4, 6,
20 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, or a complement thereof.

Also within the invention are polypeptides which are naturally occurring allelic variants of a polypeptide that includes the amino acid sequence of any of SEQ ID NOs:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, or an amino acid sequence encoded by the
25 cDNA of a clone deposited as any of ATCC 98999, 202171, 98965, and 98966, wherein the polypeptide is encoded by a nucleic acid molecule which hybridizes under stringent conditions to a nucleic acid molecule having the sequence of any of SEQ ID Nos:1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, or a complement thereof, wherein such nucleic acid molecules encode polypeptides or
30 proteins that exhibit at least one structural and/or functional feature of a polypeptide of the invention.

The invention also features nucleic acid molecules that hybridize under stringent conditions to a nucleic acid molecule comprising the nucleotide sequence of any of SEQ ID NOs:1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65,
35 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, of the cDNA of a clone deposited as any of ATCC 98999, 202171, 98965, and 98966, or a complement thereof, wherein preferably such nucleic acid molecules

encode polypeptides or proteins that exhibit at least one structural and/or functional feature of a polypeptide of the invention. In other embodiments, the nucleic acid molecules are at least 300 (325, 350, 375, 400, 425, 450, 500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 800, 900, 1000, or 1290) nucleotides in length and hybridize under stringent conditions to a nucleic acid molecule comprising the nucleotide sequence of any of SEQ ID NOs:1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, of the cDNA of a clone deposited as any of ATCC 98999, 202171, 98965, and 98966, or a complement thereof.

In certain preferred embodiments, the isolated nucleic acid molecules encode a cytoplasmic, transmembrane, or extracellular domain of a polypeptide of the invention.

In another embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule which is antisense to the coding strand of a nucleic acid of the invention.

Another aspect of the invention provides vectors, e.g., recombinant expression vectors, comprising a nucleic acid molecule of the invention. In another embodiment the invention provides host cells containing such a vector, or engineered to contain a nucleic acid of the invention and/or to express a nucleic acid of the invention. The invention also provides methods for producing a polypeptide of the invention by culturing, in a suitable medium, a host cell of the invention such that the polypeptide of the invention is produced.

Another aspect of this invention features isolated or recombinant proteins and polypeptides of the invention. Preferred proteins and polypeptides possess at least one biological activity possessed by the corresponding naturally-occurring human polypeptide. An activity, a biological activity, and a functional activity of a polypeptide of the invention refers to an activity exerted by a protein or polypeptide of the invention on a responsive cell as determined *in vivo*, or *in vitro*, according to standard techniques. Such activities can be a direct activity, such as an association with or an enzymatic activity on a second protein or an indirect activity, such as a cellular signaling activity mediated by interaction of the protein with a second protein. Thus, such activities include, e.g., (1) the ability to form protein-protein interactions with proteins in the signaling pathway of the naturally-occurring polypeptide; (2) the ability to bind a ligand of the naturally-occurring polypeptide; (3) the ability to bind to an intracellular target of the naturally-occurring polypeptide. Other activities include, e.g., (1) the ability to modulate cellular proliferation; (2) the ability to modulate cellular differentiation; (3) the ability to modulate chemotaxis and/or migration; and (4) the ability to modulate cell death.

In one embodiment, a polypeptide of the invention has an amino acid sequence sufficiently identical to an identified domain of a polypeptide of the invention. As used herein, the term "sufficiently identical" refers to a first amino acid or nucleotide sequence

which contains a sufficient or minimum number of identical or equivalent (e.g., with a similar side chain) amino acid residues or nucleotides to a second amino acid or nucleotide sequence such that the first and second amino acid or nucleotide sequences have a common structural domain and/or common functional activity. For example, amino acid or
5 nucleotide sequences which contain a common structural domain having about 65% identity, preferably 75% identity, more preferably 85%, 95%, or 98% identity are defined herein as sufficiently identical.

In one embodiment, the isolated polypeptide of the invention lacks both a transmembrane and a cytoplasmic domain. In another embodiment, the polypeptide lacks
10 both a transmembrane domain and a cytoplasmic domain and is soluble under physiological conditions.

The polypeptides of the present invention, or biologically active portions thereof, can be operably linked to a heterologous amino acid sequence to form fusion proteins. The invention further features antibodies that specifically bind a polypeptide of the invention
15 such as monoclonal or polyclonal antibodies.

In addition, the polypeptides of the invention or biologically active portions thereof, or antibodies of the invention, can be incorporated into pharmaceutical compositions, which optionally include pharmaceutically acceptable carriers.

In another aspect, the present invention provides methods for detecting the presence
20 of the activity or expression of a polypeptide of the invention in a biological sample by contacting the biological sample with an agent capable of detecting an indicator of activity such that the presence of activity is detected in the biological sample.

In another aspect, the invention provides methods for modulating activity of a polypeptide of the invention comprising contacting a cell with an agent that modulates
25 (inhibits or stimulates) the activity or expression of a polypeptide of the invention such that activity or expression in the cell is modulated. In one embodiment, the agent is an antibody that specifically binds to a polypeptide of the invention.

In another embodiment, the agent modulates expression of a polypeptide of the invention by modulating transcription, splicing, or translation of an mRNA encoding a
30 polypeptide of the invention. In yet another embodiment, the agent is a nucleic acid molecule having a nucleotide sequence that is antisense to the coding strand of an mRNA encoding a polypeptide of the invention.

The present invention also provides methods to treat a subject having a disorder characterized by aberrant activity of a polypeptide of the invention or aberrant expression of
35 a nucleic acid of the invention by administering an agent which is a modulator of the activity of a polypeptide of the invention or a modulator of the expression of a nucleic acid

of the invention to the subject. In one embodiment, the modulator is a protein of the invention. In another embodiment, the modulator is a nucleic acid of the invention. In other embodiments, the modulator is a peptide, peptidomimetic, or other small organic molecule. The present invention also provides diagnostic assays for identifying the
5 presence or absence of a genetic lesion or mutation characterized by at least one of: (i) aberrant modification or mutation of a gene encoding a polypeptide of the invention, (ii) mis-regulation of a gene encoding a polypeptide of the invention, and (iii) aberrant post-translational modification of a polypeptide of the invention wherein a wild-type form of the gene encodes a polypeptide having the activity of the polypeptide of the invention.

10 In another aspect, the invention provides a method for identifying a compound that binds to or modulates the activity of a polypeptide of the invention. In general, such methods entail measuring a biological activity of the polypeptide in the presence and absence of a test compound and identifying those compounds which alter the activity of the polypeptide.

15 The invention also features methods for identifying a compound which modulates the expression of a polypeptide or nucleic acid of the invention by measuring the expression of the polypeptide or nucleic acid in the presence and absence of the compound.

Other features and advantages of the invention will be apparent from the following detailed description and claims.

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Brief Description of the Drawings

Figure 1 depicts the cDNA sequence of human TANGO 128 (SEQ ID NO:1) and predicted amino acid sequence of TANGO 128 (SEQ ID NO:2). The open reading frame of SEQ ID NO:1 extends from nucleotide 288 to 1322 of SEQ ID NO:1 (SEQ ID NO:3).

25 *Figure 2* depicts the cDNA sequence of human TANGO 140-1 (SEQ ID NO:4) and predicted amino acid sequence of TANGO 140-1 (SEQ ID NO:5). The open reading frame of SEQ ID NO:4 extends from nucleotide 2 to 619 of SEQ ID NO:4 (SEQ ID NO:38).

Figure 3 depicts the cDNA sequence of human TANGO 140-2 (SEQ ID NO:6) and predicted amino acid sequence of TANGO 140-2 (SEQ ID NO:7). The open reading frame
30 of SEQ ID NO:6 extends from nucleotide 1 to 591 of SEQ ID NO:6 (SEQ ID NO:39).

Figure 4 depicts the cDNA sequence of human TANGO 197 (SEQ ID NO:8) and predicted amino acid sequence of TANGO 197 (SEQ ID NO:9). The open reading frame of SEQ ID NO:8 extends from nucleotide 213 to 1211 of SEQ ID NO:8 (SEQ ID NO:10).

Figure 5 depicts the cDNA sequence of human TANGO 212 (SEQ ID NO:11) and
35 predicted amino acid sequence of TANGO 212 (SEQ ID NO:12). The open reading frame

of SEQ ID NO:11 extends from nucleotide 269 to 1927 of SEQ ID NO:11 (SEQ ID NO:13).

Figure 6 depicts the cDNA sequence of human TANGO 213 (SEQ ID NO:14) and predicted amino acid sequence of TANGO 213 (SEQ ID NO:15). The open reading frame of SEQ ID NO:14 extends from nucleotide 58 to 870 of SEQ ID NO:14 (SEQ ID NO:16).

Figure 7 depicts the cDNA sequence of human TANGO 224, form 1 (SEQ ID NO:17) and predicted amino acid sequence of TANGO 224, form 1 (SEQ ID NO:18). The open reading frame of SEQ ID NO:17 extends from nucleotide 1 to 1440 of SEQ ID NO:17 (SEQ ID NO:19).

Figure 8 depicts the cDNA sequence of human TANGO 239, form 1 (SEQ ID NO:20) and predicted amino acid sequence of TANGO 239, form 1 (SEQ ID NO:21). The open reading frame of SEQ ID NO:20 extends from nucleotide 344 to 1990 of SEQ ID NO:20 (SEQ ID NO:22).

Figure 9 depicts a hydropathy plot of a human TANGO-128. Relatively hydrophobic residues are above the dashed horizontal line, and relatively hydrophilic residues are below the dashed horizontal line. The cysteine residues (cys) and potential N-glycosylation sites (Ngly) are indicated by short vertical lines just below the hydropathy trace.

Figure 10 depicts a hydropathy plot of a human TANGO 140-1. Relatively hydrophobic residues are above the dashed horizontal line, and relatively hydrophilic residues are below the dashed horizontal line. The cysteine residues (cys) and potential N-glycosylation sites (Ngly) are indicated by short vertical lines just below the hydropathy trace.

Figure 11 depicts a hydropathy plot of a human TANGO 140-2. Relatively hydrophobic residues are above the dashed horizontal line, and relatively hydrophilic residues are below the dashed horizontal line. The cysteine residues (cys) and potential N-glycosylation sites (Ngly) are indicated by short vertical lines just below the hydropathy trace.

Figure 12 depicts a hydropathy plot of a human TANGO 197. Relatively hydrophobic residues are above the dashed horizontal line, and relatively hydrophilic residues are below the dashed horizontal line. The cysteine residues (cys) and potential N-glycosylation sites (Ngly) are indicated by short vertical lines just below the hydropathy trace.

Figure 13 depicts a hydropathy plot of a human TANGO 212. Relatively hydrophobic residues are above the dashed horizontal line, and relatively hydrophilic residues are below the dashed horizontal line. The cysteine residues (cys) and potential N-

glycosylation sites (Ngly) are indicated by short vertical lines just below the hydropathy trace.

Figure 14 depicts a hydropathy plot of a human TANGO 213. Relatively hydrophobic residues are above the dashed horizontal line, and relatively hydrophilic residues are below the dashed horizontal line. The cysteine residues (cys) and potential N-glycosylation sites (Ngly) are indicated by short vertical lines just below the hydropathy trace.

Figure 15 depicts a hydropathy plot of a human TANGO 224. Relatively hydrophobic residues are above the dashed horizontal line, and relatively hydrophilic residues are below the dashed horizontal line. The cysteine residues (cys) and potential N-glycosylation sites (Ngly) are indicated by short vertical lines just below the hydropathy trace.

Figure 16 depicts a hydropathy plot of a human TANGO 239. Relatively hydrophobic residues are above the dashed horizontal line, and relatively hydrophilic residues are below the dashed horizontal line. The cysteine residues (cys) and potential N-glycosylation sites (Ngly) are indicated by short vertical lines just below the hydropathy trace.

Figure 17 depicts the alignment of amino acids 269 to 337 of TANGO 128 (amino acids 269 to 337 of SEQ ID NO:2)(SEQ ID NO: X) and the platelet derived growth factor (PDGF) consensus sequence (SEQ ID NO:40). In these alignments, an uppercase letter between the two sequences indicates an exact match, and a (+) indicates a conservative amino acid substitution.

Figure 18 depicts the alignment of amino acids 48 to 160 of TANGO 128 (amino acids 48 to 160 of SEQ ID NO:2)(SEQ ID NO: X) and the CUB consensus sequence (SEQ ID NO:41). In these alignments, an uppercase letter between the two sequences indicates an exact match, and a (+) indicates a conservative amino acid substitution.

Figure 19 depicts the alignment of amino acids 11 to 49 (SEQ ID NO: X) and amino acids 52 to 91 (SEQ ID NO: X) of TANGO 140-1 (SEQ ID NO:5) with the tumor necrosis factor receptor (TNF-R) consensus sequence (SEQ ID NO:42). In these alignments, an uppercase letter between the two sequences indicates an exact match, and a (+) indicates a conservative amino acid substitution.

Figure 20 depicts the alignment of amino acids 25 to 63 (SEQ ID NO: X) and amino acids 66 to 105 (SEQ ID NO: X) of TANGO 140-2 (SEQ ID NO:7) with the tumor necrosis factor receptor (TNF-R) consensus sequence (SEQ ID NO:42). In these alignments, an uppercase letter between the two sequences indicates an exact match, and a (+) indicates a conservative amino acid substitution.

Figure 21 depicts the alignment of amino acids 44 to 215 of TANGO 197 (amino acids 44 to 215 of SEQ ID NO:9)(SEQ ID NO: X) and the von Willebrand Factor (vWF) consensus sequence (SEQ ID NO:43). In these alignments, an uppercase letter between the two sequences indicates an exact match, and a (+) indicates a conservative amino acid substitution.

Figure 22 depicts the alignment of amino acids 61 to 91 (SEQ ID NO: X), amino acids 98 to 132 (SEQ ID NO: X), amino acids 138 to 172 (SEQ ID NO: X), amino acids 178 to 217 (SEQ ID NO: X), and amino acids 223 to 258 (SEQ ID NO: X) of TANGO 212 (SEQ ID NO:12) and the epidermal growth factor (EGF) consensus sequence (SEQ ID NO:44). In these alignments, an uppercase letter between the two sequences indicates an exact match, and a (+) indicates a conservative amino acid substitution.

Figure 23 depicts the alignment of amino acids 400 to 546 of TANGO 212 (amino acids 400 to 546 of SEQ ID NO:12)(SEQ ID NO: X) and the MAM consensus sequence (SEQ ID NO:45). In these alignments, an uppercase letter between the two sequences indicates an exact match, and a (+) indicates a conservative amino acid substitution.

Figure 24 depicts the alignment of amino acids 37 to 81 of TANGO 224, form 1 (amino acids 37 to 81 of SEQ ID NO:18)(SEQ ID NO: X) and the thrombospondin type-I (TSP-I) consensus sequence (SEQ ID NO:46). In these alignments, an uppercase letter between the two sequences indicates an exact match, and a (+) indicates a conservative amino acid substitution.

Figure 25 depicts the alignment of amino acids 24 to 169 (SEQ ID NO: X), amino acids 170 to 329 (SEQ ID NO: X) and amino acids 340 to 498 (SEQ ID NO: X) of TANGO 239 (SEQ ID NO:21) and the MAM consensus sequence (SEQ ID NO:45). In these alignments, an uppercase letter between the two sequences indicates an exact match, and a (+) indicates a conservative amino acid substitution.

Figure 26 depicts the cDNA sequence of mouse TANGO 128 (SEQ ID NO:53) and predicted amino acid sequence of mouse TANGO 128 (SEQ ID NO:54). The open reading frame of SEQ ID NO:53 comprises from nucleotides 211 to 750 of SEQ ID NO:53 (SEQ ID NO:55).

Figure 27 depicts the cDNA sequence of mouse TANGO 197 (SEQ ID NO:56) and predicted amino acid sequence of mouse TANGO 197 (SEQ ID NO:57). The open reading frame of SEQ ID NO:56 extends from nucleotide 3 to 1145 of SEQ ID NO:56 (SEQ ID NO:58).

Figure 28 depicts the cDNA sequence of mouse TANGO 212 (SEQ ID NO:59) and predicted amino acid sequence of mouse TANGO 212 (SEQ ID NO:60). The open reading

frame of SEQ ID NO:60 extends from nucleotide 180 to 1179 of SEQ ID NO:60 (SEQ ID NO:61).

5 *Figure 29* depicts the cDNA sequence of mouse TANGO 213 (SEQ ID NO:62) and predicted amino acid sequence of mouse TANGO 213 (SEQ ID NO:63). The open reading frame of SEQ ID NO:62 extends from nucleotide 41 to 616 of SEQ ID NO:62 (SEQ ID NO:64).

10 *Figure 30* depicts the cDNA sequence of human TANGO 224, form 2 (clone Athsa25a8) (SEQ ID NO:65) and predicted amino acid sequence of human TANGO 224, form 2 (clone Athsa25a8)(SEQ ID NO:66). The open reading frame of SEQ ID NO:65 extends from nucleotide 67 to 2690 of SEQ ID NO:65 (SEQ ID NO:67).

Figure 31 depicts the cDNA sequence of human TANGO 239, form 2 (clone Athxe3b8)(SEQ ID NO:68) and predicted amino acid sequence of human TANGO 239, form 2 (clone Athxe3b8)(SEQ ID NO:69). The open reading frame of SEQ ID NO:68 extends from nucleotide 344 to 2401 of SEQ ID NO:68 (SEQ ID NO:70).

15 *Figure 32* depicts the cDNA sequence of mouse TANGO 239 (SEQ ID NO:71) and predicted amino acid sequence of mouse TANGO 239 (SEQ ID NO:72). The open reading frame of SEQ ID NO:71 extends from nucleotide 209 to 370 of SEQ ID NO:71 (SEQ ID NO:73).

Figure 33 depicts the cDNA sequence of rat TANGO 213 (SEQ ID NO:).

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Description of the Preferred Embodiments

The present invention is based on the discovery of cDNA molecules encoding TANGO 128, TANGO 140, TANGO 197, TANGO 212, TANGO 213, TANGO 224, and TANGO 239, all of which are either wholly secreted or transmembrane proteins.

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TANGO 128

In one aspect, the present invention is based on the discovery of cDNA molecules which encode a novel family of proteins having sequence identity to vascular endothelial growth factor (VEGF), referred to herein as TANGO 128 proteins.

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The TANGO 128 proteins and nucleic acid molecules comprise a family of molecules having certain conserved structural and functional features. As used herein, the term "family" is intended to mean two or more proteins or nucleic acid molecules having a common structural domain and having sufficient amino acid or nucleotide sequence identity as defined herein. Family members can be from either the same or different species. For
35 example, a family can comprises two or more proteins of human origin, or can comprise

one or more proteins of human origin and one or more of non-human origin. Members of the same family may also have common structural domains.

For example, the VEGF family to which the TANGO 128 proteins of the invention bear sequence identity, are a family of mitogens which contain a platelet-derived growth factor (PDGF) domain having conserved cysteine residues. These cysteine residues form intra- and inter-chain disulfide bonds which can affect the structural integrity of the protein. Thus, included within the scope of the invention are TANGO 128 proteins having a platelet-derived growth factor (PDGF) domain. As used herein, a PDGF-domain refers to an amino acid sequence of about 55 to 80, preferably about 60 to 75, 65 to 70, and more preferably about 69 amino acids in length. A PDGF domain of TANGO 128 extends, for example, from about amino acids 269 to 337 of SEQ ID NO:2. (SEQ ID NO:75).

Conserved amino acid motifs, referred to herein as "consensus patterns" or "signature patterns", can be used to identify TANGO 128 family members (and/or PDGF family members) having a PDGF domain. For example, the following signature pattern can be used to identify TANGO 128 family members: P - x - C - [LV] - x (3) - R - C - [GSTA] - G - x (0, 3) - C - C (SEQ ID NO:46). The signature patterns or consensus patterns described herein are described according to the following designation: all amino acids are indicated according to their universal single letter designation; "x" designates any amino acid; x(n) designates n number of amino acids, e.g., x (2) designates any two amino acids, e.g., x (1, 3) designates any of one to three amino acids; and, amino acids in brackets indicates any one of the amino acids within the brackets, e.g., [LV] indicates any of one of either L (leucine) or V (valine). TANGO 128 has such a signature pattern at about amino acids 272 to 287 of SEQ ID NO:2 (SEQ ID NO:74).

A PDGF domain further contains at least about 2 to 10, preferably, 3 to 9, 4 to 8, or 6 to 7 conserved cysteine residues. By alignment of a TANGO 128 family member with a PDGF consensus sequence (SEQ ID NO:40), conserved cysteine residues can be found. For example, as shown in Figure 17, there is a first cysteine residue in the PDGF consensus sequence (SEQ ID NO:40) that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 274 of TANGO 128 (SEQ ID NO:2); there is a second cysteine residue in the PDGF consensus sequence (SEQ ID NO:40) that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 280 of TANGO 128 (SEQ ID NO:2); there is a third cysteine residue in the PDGF consensus sequence (SEQ ID NO:40) that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 286 of TANGO 128 (SEQ ID NO:2); there is a fourth cysteine residue in the PDGF consensus sequence (SEQ ID NO:40) that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 287 of TANGO 128 (SEQ ID NO:2); there is a fifth cysteine residue in the PDGF consensus sequence (SEQ ID NO:40) that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 296 of

TANGO 128 (SEQ ID NO:2); there is a sixth cysteine residue in the PDGF consensus sequence (SEQ ID NO:40) that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 335 of TANGO 128 (SEQ ID NO:2); and/or there is a seventh cysteine residue in the PDGF consensus sequence (SEQ ID NO:40) that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 337 of TANGO 128 (SEQ ID NO:2). The PDGF consensus sequence is also available from the HMMer version 2.0 software as Accession Number PF00341. Software for HMM-based profiles is available from <http://www.csc.ucsc.edu/research/compbio/sam.html> and from <http://genome.wustl.edu/eddy/hmmer.html>.

The present invention also features TANGO 128 proteins having a CUB domain. The CUB domain is associated with various developmentally regulated proteins and as such is likely to be involved in developmental processes. As used herein, a CUB domain refers to an amino acid sequence of about 90 to about 140, preferably about 100 to 125, 110 to 115, and more preferably about 113 amino acids in length. A CUB domain of TANGO 128 extends, for example, from about amino acids 48 to 160 of SEQ ID NO:2. (SEQ ID NO:77) An alignment of TANGO 128 and the CUB consensus sequence is shown in Figure 18.

Conserved amino acid motifs, referred to herein as "consensus patterns" or "signature patterns", can be used to identify TANGO 128 family members having a CUB domain. For example, the following signature pattern can be used to identify TANGO 128 family members: GS - x (3, 11) - [ST] - [PLYA] - x (2) - P - x (2,3) - Y - x (6, 8) - [WY] - x (9, 11) - [LVIF] - x - [LIF] - x (7,10) - C (SEQ ID NO:47). The signature patterns or consensus patterns described herein are described according to the following designation: all amino acids are indicated according to their universal single letter designation; "x" designates any amino acid; x(n) designates "n" number of amino acids, e.g., x (2) designates any two amino acids, e.g., x (2, 3) designates any of two to three amino acids; and, amino acids in brackets indicates any one of the amino acids within the brackets, e.g., [ST] indicates any of one of either S (serine) or T (threonine). TANGO 128 has such a signature pattern at about amino acids 56 to 104 of SEQ ID NO:2 (SEQ ID NO:76).

A CUB domain further contains at 2 or more conserved cysteine residues which are likely to form disulfide bonds which affect the structural integrity of the protein.

Also included within the scope of the present invention are TANGO 128 proteins having a signal sequence. As used herein, a "signal sequence" includes a peptide of at least about 15 or 20 amino acid residues in length which occurs at the N-terminus of secretory and membrane-bound proteins and which contains at least about 70% hydrophobic amino acid residues such as alanine, leucine, isoleucine, phenylalanine, proline, tyrosine, tryptophan, or valine. In a preferred embodiment, a signal sequence contains at least about 15 to 40 amino acid residues, preferably about 15-30 amino acid residues, and has at least

about 60-80%, more preferably 65-75%, and more preferably at least about 70% hydrophobic residues. A signal sequence serves to direct a protein containing such a sequence to a lipid bilayer.

In certain embodiments, a TANGO 128 family member has the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2, and the signal sequence is located at amino acids 1 to 20, 1 to 21, 1 to 22, 1 to 23 or 1 to 24. In such embodiments of the invention, the domains and the mature protein resulting from cleavage of such signal peptides are also included herein. For example, the cleavage of a signal sequence consisting of amino acids 1 to 22 of SEQ ID NO:2 (SEQ ID NO:23) results in a mature TANGO 128 protein corresponding to amino acids 23 to 345 of SEQ ID NO:2 (SEQ ID NO:29). The signal sequence is normally cleaved during processing of the mature protein.

In one embodiment, a TANGO 128 protein of the invention includes a PDGF domain and/or a CUB domain. In another embodiment, a TANGO 128 protein of the invention includes a PDGF domain, a CUB domain, a signal sequence, and is secreted.

Various features of human and mouse TANGO 128 are summarized below.

HUMAN TANGO 128

The cDNA encoding human TANGO 128 was isolated by homology screening. Briefly, a clone encoding a portion of TANGO 128 was identified through high throughput screening of a mesangial cell library and showed homology to the VEGF family. An additional screen of the mesangial cell library was performed to obtain a clone comprising full length human TANGO 128. Human TANGO 128 includes a 2839 nucleotide cDNA (Figure 1; SEQ ID NO:1). It is noted that the nucleotide sequence depicted in SEQ ID NO: 1 contains *Sal I* and *Not I* adapter sequences on the 5' and 3' ends, respectively ((5' GTCGACCCACGCGTCCG 3' (SEQ ID NO:), and 5' GGGCGGCCGC 3' (SEQ ID NO:), respectively). Thus, it is to be understood that the nucleic acid molecules of the invention include not only those sequences with such adaptor sequences but also the nucleic acid sequences described herein lacking the adaptor sequences. The open reading frame of this cDNA, nucleotides 288 to 1322 (SEQ ID NO:3), encodes a 345 amino acid secreted protein (Figure 1; SEQ ID NO:2).

The signal peptide prediction program SIGNALP (Nielsen et al. (1997) *Protein Engineering* 10:1-6) predicted that human TANGO 128 includes a 22 amino acid signal peptide (amino acids 1 to amino acid 22 of SEQ ID NO:2)(SEQ ID NO:23) preceding the mature TANGO 128 protein (corresponding to amino acid 23 to amino acid 345 of SEQ ID NO:2)(SEQ ID NO:29).

Human TANGO 128 includes a PDGF domain from about amino acids 269 to 337 of SEQ ID NO:2 (SEQ ID NO:75). Human TANGO 128 further includes a CUB domain (about amino acids 48 to 160 of SEQ ID NO:2)(SEQ ID NO:77).

A clone, EpDH237, which encodes human TANGO 128 was deposited as part of
5 EpDHMix1 with the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC, 10801 University Boulevard, Manassas, VA 20110-2209) on November 20, 1998 which was assigned Accession Number 98999. This deposit will be maintained under the terms of the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure. This deposit was made merely as a convenience to those of skill in the
10 art and is not an admission that a deposit is required under 35 U.S.C. §112.

Figure 9 depicts a hydropathy plot of human TANGO 128. Relatively hydrophobic residues are above the horizontal line, and relatively hydrophilic residues are below the horizontal line. As shown in the hydropathy plot, the hydrophobic region at the beginning of the plot which corresponds to about amino acids 1 to 22 of SEQ ID NO:2 is the signal
15 sequence of TANGO 128 (SEQ ID NO:23). The cysteine residues (cys) and potential N-glycosylation sites (Ngly) are indicated by short vertical lines just below the hydropathy trace.

Northern analysis of human TANGO 128 mRNA expression revealed the presence of approximately a 3.8 kb transcript that is expressed in a wide range of tissues including
20 heart, brain, placenta, lung, liver, skeletal muscle, kidney, pancreas, spleen, prostate, testis, ovary, small intestine, colon, and peripheral blood leukocytes. The highest levels of expression were seen in the pancreas, kidney and ovary. An additional TANGO 128 transcript of approximately 3 kb is seen in the ovary, prostate, pancreas, and kidney.

The human gene for TANGO 128 was mapped on radiation hybrid panels to the
25 long arm of chromosome 4, in the region q28-31. Flanking markers for this region are WI-3936 and AFMCO27ZB9. The FGC (fibrinogen gene cluster), GYP (glycophorin cluster), IL15 (interlukin 15), TDO2 (tryptophan oxygenase), and MLR (mineralocorticoid receptor) genes also map to this region of the human chromosome. This region is syntenic to mouse chromosome 8. The Q (quinky), pdw (proportional dwarf), and lyl1 (lymphoblastomic
30 leukemia) loci also map to this region of the mouse chromosome. Il15 (interlukin 15), mlr (mineral corticoid receptor), ucp (uncoupling protein), and clgn (calmegin) genes also map to this region of the mouse chromosome.

TANGO 128 protein binds to endothelial cells with high affinity: In vitro studies of AP-T128 binding to bACE cells (bovine adrenal cortical capillary endothelial cells) were
35 performed with Phospha-Light chemiluminescent assay system (Tropix, Inc. Bedford, MA). bACE cells were plated into gelatinized 96-well plates (3000 cells/well) and allowed to

grow to confluency. The cells were then fixed with acetone. AP-hT128 was incubated with the cells for 1 hour. Specific binding was detected with a microplate luminometer according to the manufacturer's instruction.

The binding studies indicated high affinity to bovine adrenal capillary endothelial cells in culture. Half-maximal binding occurred with approximately 0.5 nM AP-T128. AP-T128 was capable of exhibiting binding to adrenal cortex, ovary (medulla), mucosal layer of colon, and bronchial epithelium of lung in the mouse.

Recombinant TANGO 128 protein stimulates endothelial cell proliferation in vitro: The ability of A1 protein to stimulate the growth of endothelial cells was tested by bovine adrenal capillary endothelial (bACE) cell proliferation assay. Briefly, cultured bovine capillary endothelial cells dispersed with 0.05% trypsin/0.53 mM EDTA were plated onto gelatinized (Difco) 24-well culture plates (12,500 cell/well) in DMEM containing 10% bovine calf serum (BCS) and incubated for 24 hours. The media was replaced with 0.5 ml DMEM containing 5% bovine calf serum and either buffer only or buffer containing AP-hT128 were added. After 72 hours, the cells were counted with Coulter Counter. By cell count, there is a modest increase in bACE cells after 3 days. TANGO 128 was shown to exhibit proliferative activity on endothelial cells in vitro. Preliminary studies show that AP-T128 has mitogenic activity on primary bovine adrenal cortical capillary endothelial cells (bACE cells).

Mouse TANGO 128

A mouse homolog of human TANGO 128 was identified. A cDNA encoding mouse TANGO 128 was identified by analyzing the sequences of clones present in a mouse osteoblast lipopolysaccharide (LPS) stimulated cDNA library. This analysis led to the identification of a clone, jtmol14h01, encoding full-length mouse TANGO 128. The murine TANGO 128 cDNA of this clone is 764 nucleotides long (Figure 26; SEQ ID NO:53). It is noted that the nucleotide sequence depicted in SEQ ID NO:53 contains *Sal I* and *Not I* adapter sequences on the 5' and 3' ends, respectively ((GTCGACCCACGCGT CCG (SEQ ID NO:), and GGGCGGCCGC (SEQ ID NO:), respectively). Thus, it is to be understood that the nucleic acid molecules of the invention include not only those sequences with such adaptor sequences but also the nucleic acid sequences described herein lacking the adaptor sequences. The open reading frame of this cDNA, comprises nucleotides 211 to 750 of SEQ ID NO:53 (SEQ ID NO:55), and encodes a 179 amino acid secreted protein (Figure 26; SEQ ID NO:54).

In one embodiment of a nucleotide sequence of mouse Tango 128, the nucleotide at position 595 is a guanine (G) (SEQ ID NO: 78). In this embodiment, the amino acid at

position 129 is glycine (G)(SEQ ID NO:79) In another embodiment of a nucleotide sequence of mouse Tango 128, the nucleotide at position 595 is a cytosine (C) (SEQ ID NO: 80). In this embodiment, the amino acid at position 129 is arginine (R)(SEQ ID NO:81) In another embodiment of a nucleotide sequence of mouse Tango 128, the
5 nucleotide at position 595 is a thymidine (T) (SEQ ID NO:82). In this embodiment, the amino acid at position 129 is a stop codon (Opal) and results in a polypeptide of 128 aa in length (SEQ ID NO:83).

In one embodiment of a nucleotide sequence of mouse Tango 128, the nucleotide at position 710 is a thymidine (T) (SQ ID NO:84). In this embodiment, the amino acid at
10 position 167 is valine (V)(SEQ ID NO:85) In another embodiment of a nucleotide sequence of mouse Tango 128, the nucleotide at position 710 is a cytosine (C) (SEQ ID NO:86). In this embodiment, the amino acid at position 167 is alanine (A)(SEQ ID NO:87) In another embodiment of a nucleotide sequence of mouse Tango 128, the nucleotide at position 710 is adenine (A)(SEQ ID NO:88). In this embodiment, the amino acid at position 167 is
15 glutamine (E)(SEQ ID NO:89). In another embodiment of a nucleotide sequence of mouse Tango 128, the nucleotide at position 710 is guanine (G)(SEQ ID NO:90). In this embodiment, the amino acid at position 167 is glycine (G)(SEQ ID NO:91).

In one embodiment of a nucleotide sequence of mouse Tango 128, the nucleotide at position 725 is a thymidine (T) (SQ ID NO:92). In this embodiment, the amino acid at
20 position 172 is leucine (L)(SEQ ID NO:93) In another embodiment of a nucleotide sequence of mouse Tango 128, the nucleotide at position 725 is a cytosine (C) (SEQ ID NO:94). In this embodiment, the amino acid at position 172 is serine (S)(SEQ ID NO:95) In another embodiment of a nucleotide sequence of mouse Tango 128, the nucleotide at position 725 is a adenine (A) (SEQ ID NO:96). In this embodiment, the amino acid at
25 position 172 is a stop codon (Amber) and results in a polypeptide of 171 aa in length (SEQ ID NO:97). In another embodiment of a nucleotide sequence of mouse Tango 128, the nucleotide at position 725 is a guanine (G) (SEQ ID NO:98). In this embodiment, the amino acid at position 172 is tryptophan (SEQ ID NO:99).

In situ tissue screening was performed on mouse adult and embryonic tissue to
30 analyze the expression of mouse TANGO 128 mRNA. Of the tissues tested, expression in the adult mouse was highest in the reproductive tract, testes and ovary.

In the case of adult expression, the following results were obtained: For the testis, a signal outlining some seminiferous tubules was detected which possibly included the lamina propria which contains fibromyocytes (myoid cells). In the placenta, a signal was
35 detected in the labyrinthine tissue. In the ovaries, a strong, multifocal signal was detected. A weak signal was detected from the capsule of the adrenal gland. In the spleen, a ubiquitous

signal was detected which was slighter higher in the non-follicular spaces. A weak, ubiquitous signal was detected in the submandibular gland. Weak expression was also seen in a number of other tissues. For example, a very weak signal was detected in the olfactory bulb of the brain. A very weak ubiquitous signal only slightly above background was
5 detected in the colon, small intestine, and liver. A multifocal signal was detected in brown and white fat. No signal was detected in the following tissues: eye and harderian gland, spinal cord, stomach, thymus, skeletal muscle, bladder, heart, lymph node, lung, pancreas, and kidney.

Embryonic expression was seen in a number of tissues. The highest expressing
10 tissue was the capsule of the kidney which was seen at E14.5 and continues to P1.5. Adult kidney did not show this expression pattern. Other tissues with strong expression include the frontal cortex and developing cerebellum of the brain, various cartilage structures of the head including Meckel's cartilage and the spinal column. Numerous tissues with a smooth muscle component also showed expression including the small intestine and stomach as
15 well as the diaphragm at early embryonic stages, E13.4 and E14.5. At E13.5, signal in the brain was seen in areas adjacent to the ventricles, which includes the roof of the midbrain and the roof of the neopallial cortex. A stronger signal was observed from the skin of the snout and follicles of vibrissae extending to the epithelium of the mouth and tongue. A diffuse signal around developing clavicle, hip, and vertebrae was suggestive of muscle
20 expression. A signal did not appear to be expressed from developing bone or cartilage except in the case of the spinal column where there may have been some cartilage expression. Large airways of the lung were positive as is the diaphragm, stomach and intestines. A signal from the digestive tract appeared to be associated with smooth muscle. At E14.5, the expression pattern was nearly identical to that seen at E13.5 except kidney
25 expression was now apparent. Signal was restricted to the capsule and was the strongest expressing tissue. The capsule of the adrenal gland had expression but to a lesser extent than that seen in the kidney. The developing musculature of the feet had strong expression as well. At E16.5, signal in the muscle and skin was decreased. Diaphragm expression was no longer apparent but the smooth muscle of the intestine was still seen. Strongest signal
30 was seen in the skin and muscle of the snout and feet, capsule of the kidney, the frontal cortex, and the cerebellar promordium. Signal from lung had decreased and become ubiquitous. At E17.5, signal was most apparent in the frontal cortex and cerebellar primordium of the brain, the snout, Meckel's cartilage, submandibular gland, spinal column, and capsule of the kidney which had the strongest signal. Signal was also seen from the
35 smooth muscle of the gut. At E18.5, the pattern was nearly identical to that seen at E17.5. At P1.5, the pattern was very similar to that seen at E17.5 and 18.5 with strongest signal

seen from Meckel's cartilage, basioccipital and basisphenoid bone, spinal column, developing cerebellum, and capsule of the kidney. By this stage of development, expression in most other tissues and organs had dropped to nearly background levels.

Human and murine TANGO 128 sequences exhibit considerable similarity at the protein, nucleic acid, and open reading frame levels. An alignment (made using the ALIGN software (Myers and Miller (1989) CABIOS, ver. 2.0); BLOSUM 62 scoring matrix; gap penalties -12/-4), reveals a protein identity of 77.8% . The human and murine TANGO 128 full length cDNAs are 83.3% identical, as assessed using the same software and parameters as indicated (without the BLOSUM 62 scoring matrix). In the respective ORFs, calculated in the same fashion as the full length cDNAs, human and murine TANGO 128 are 81.3% identical.

Uses of TANGO 128 Nucleic Acids, Polypeptides, and Modulators Thereof

The TANGO 128 proteins of the invention bear some similarity to the VEGF family of growth factors. Accordingly, TANGO 128 proteins likely function in a similar manner as members of the VEGF family. Thus, TANGO 128 modulators can be used to treat any VEGF-associated disorders and modulate normal VEGF functions.

VEGF family members play a role in angiogenesis and endothelial cell growth. For example, VEGF is an endothelial cell specific mitogen and has been shown to be a potent angiogenic factor. Ferrara et al. (1992) *Endocr. Rev.* 13:18-32. Thus, several studies have reported that VEGF family members can serve as regulators of normal and pathological angiogenesis. Olofsson et al. (1996) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 93:2576-2581; Berse et al. (1992) *Mol. Biol. Cell.* 3:211-220; Shweiki et al. (1992) *Nature* 359:843-845. Similarly, the TANGO 128 proteins of the invention likely play a role in angiogenesis. Accordingly, the TANGO 128 proteins, nucleic acids and/or modulators of the invention are useful angiogenic modulators. For example, the TANGO 128 proteins, nucleic acids and/or modulators can be used in the treatment of wounds, e.g., modulate wound healing, and/or the regrowth of vasculature, e.g., the regrowth of vasculature into ischemic organs, e.g., such as in coronary bypass. In addition, TANGO 128 proteins, nucleic acids and/or modulators can be used to promote growth of cells in culture for cell based therapies.

Angiogenesis is also involved in pathological conditions including the growth and metastasis of tumors. In fact, tumor growth and metastasis have been shown to be dependent on the formation of new blood vessels. Accordingly, TANGO 128 polypeptides, nucleic acids and/or modulators thereof can be used to modulate angiogenesis in proliferative disorders such as cancer, (e.g., fibrosarcoma, myxosarcoma, liposarcoma, chondrosarcoma, osteogenic sarcoma, chordoma, angiosarcoma, endotheliosarcoma,

lymphangiosarcoma, lymphangioendotheliosarcoma, synovioma, mesothelioma, Ewing's tumor, leiomyosarcoma, rhabdomyosarcoma, colon sarcoma, pancreatic cancer, breast cancer, ovarian cancer, prostate cancer, squamous cell carcinoma, basal cell carcinoma, adenocarcinoma, sweat gland carcinoma, sebaceous gland carcinoma, papillary carcinoma, 5 papillary adenocarcinomas, cystadenocarcinoma, medullary carcinoma, bronchogenic carcinoma, renal cell carcinoma, hematoma, bile duct carcinoma, melanoma, choriocarcinoma, seminoma, embryonal carcinoma, Wilms' tumor, cervical cancer, testicular tumor, lung carcinoma, small cell carcinoma, bladder carcinoma, epithelial carcinoma, glioma, astrocytoma, medulloblastoma, craniopharyngioma, ependymoma, 10 pinealoma, hemangioblastoma, and retinoblastoma.

Because TANGO 128 is expressed in the reproductive tract, particularly in the ovaries and testis, the TANGO 128 polypeptides, nucleic acids and/or modulators thereof can be used to modulate the function, morphology, proliferation and/or differentiation of cells in the tissues in which it is expressed. For example, such molecules can be used to 15 treat or modulate disorders associated with the testis including, without limitation, the Klinefelter syndrome (both the classic and mosaic forms), XX male syndrome, varicocele, germinal cell aplasia (the Sertoli cell-only syndrome), idiopathic azoospermia or severe oligospermia, cryptorchidism, and immotile cilia syndrome, or testicular cancer (primary germ cell tumors of the testis). In another example, TANGO 128 polypeptides, nucleic 20 acids, or modulators thereof, can be used to treat testicular disorders, such as unilateral testicular enlargement (e.g., nontuberculous, granulomatous orchitis), inflammatory diseases resulting in testicular dysfunction (e.g., gonorrhea and mumps), and tumors (e.g., germ cell tumors, interstitial cell tumors, androblastoma, testicular lymphoma and adenomatoid tumors).

For example, the TANGO 128 polypeptides, nucleic acids and/or modulators thereof can be used to modulate the function, morphology, proliferation and/or differentiation of the ovaries. For example, such molecules can be used to treat or modulate disorders associated with the ovaries, including, without limitation, ovarian tumors, McCune-Albright syndrome (polyostotic fibrous dysplasia). For example, the TANGO 128 polypeptides, nucleic acids 30 and/or modulators can be used in the treatment of infertility.

The TANGO 128 polypeptides, nucleic acids and/or modulators thereof can be used to modulate the function, morphology, proliferation and/or differentiation of cells in the tissues of the reproductive tract other than the ovaries and testis. For example, such molecules can be used to treat or modulate disorders associated with the female 35 reproductive tract including, without limitation, uterine disorders, e.g., hyperplasia of the endometrium, uterine cancers (e.g., uterine leiomyoma, uterine cellular leiomyoma,

leiomyosarcoma of the uterus, malignant mixed mullerian Tumor of uterus, uterine Sarcoma), and dysfunctional uterine bleeding (DUB).

TANGO 140

5 In another aspect, the present invention is based on the discovery of cDNA molecules which encode a novel family of proteins referred to herein as TANGO 140 proteins. Described herein are TANGO 140-1 (SEQ ID NO:4), and TANGO 140-2 (SEQ ID NO:6) nucleic acid molecules and the corresponding polypeptides which the nucleic acid molecules encode (SEQ ID NO:5 and SEQ ID NO:7, respectively).

10 The TANGO 140 proteins and nucleic acid molecules comprise a family of molecules having certain conserved structural and functional features. As used herein, the term "family" is intended to mean two or more proteins or nucleic acid molecules having a common structural domain and having sufficient amino acid or nucleotide sequence identity as defined herein. Family members can be from either the same or different species. For
15 example, a family can comprises two or more proteins of human origin, or can comprise one or more proteins of human origin and one or more of non-human origin. Members of the same family may also have common structural domains.

For example, the tumor necrosis factor receptor (TNF-R) family to which the TANGO 140 proteins of the invention bear sequence similarity, are a family of cell surface
20 proteins which function as receptors for cytokines and which contain conserved patterns of cysteine residues. Conserved cysteine residues, as used herein, refer to cysteine residues which are maintained within TANGO 140 family members (and/or TNF-R family members). This cysteine pattern is referred to herein as a tumor necrosis factor receptor (TNF-R) domain. These cysteine residues can form disulfide bonds which can affect the
25 structural integrity of the protein. Thus, included within the scope of the invention are TANGO 140 proteins having at least one to four TNF-R domains, preferably two TNF-R domains. As used herein, a TNF-R domain refers to an amino acid sequence of about 25 to 50, preferably about 30 to 45, 30 to 40, and more preferably about 35 to 39 or 40 amino acids in length. A TNF-R domain of TANGO 140-1 extends, for example, from about
30 amino acid 11 to amino acid 49 (SEQ ID NO:100) and/or from about amino acid 52 to amino acid 91 of SEQ ID NO:5 (SEQ ID NO:101); a TNF-R domain of TANGO 140-2 extends, for example, from about amino acid 25 to amino acid 63 (SEQ ID NO:102) and/or from about amino acid 66 to amino acid 105 of SEQ ID NO:7 (SEQ ID NO:103).

Conserved amino acid motifs, referred to herein as "consensus patterns" or
35 "signature patterns", can be used to identify TANGO 140 family members (and/or TNF-R family members) having a TNF-R domain. For example, the following signature pattern

can be used to identify TANGO 140 family members: C - x (4, 6) - [FYH] - x (5, 10) - C - x (0, 2) - C - x (2, 3) - C - x (7, 11) - C - x (4, 6) - [DNEQSKP] - x (2) - C (SEQ ID NO:48).

The signature patterns or consensus patterns described herein are described according to Prosite Signature designation. Thus, all amino acids are indicated according to their

- 5 universal single letter designation; "x" designates any amino acid; x(n) designates "n" number of amino acids, e.g., x (2) designates any two amino acids, e.g., x (4, 6) designates any four to six amino acids; and, amino acids in brackets indicates any one of the amino acids within the brackets, e.g., [FYH] indicates any of one of either F (phenylalanine), Y (tyrosine) or H (histidine). This consensus sequence can also be obtained as Prosite
- 10 Accession Number PDOC00561. TANGO 140-1 has such a signature pattern at about amino acids 11 to 49 (SEQ ID NO:100) and at about amino acids 52 to 91 of SEQ ID NO:5 (SEQ ID NO:101). TANGO 140-2 has such a signature pattern at about amino acids 25 to 63 (SEQ ID NO:102) and at amino acids 66 to 105 of SEQ ID NO:7 (SEQ ID NO:103).

- A TNF-R domain further contains at least about 2 to 10, preferably, 3 to 8, or 4 to 6
- 15 conserved cysteine residues. By alignment of a TANGO 140 family member with a TNF-R consensus sequence, conserved cysteine residues can be found. For example, as shown in Figure 19, there is a first cysteine residue in the TNF-R consensus sequence that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 11 of the first TNF-R domain of TANGO 140-1 (SEQ ID NO:5); there is a second cysteine residue in the TNF-R consensus sequence
- 20 that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 23 of the first TNF-R domain of TANGO 140-1 (SEQ ID NO:5); there is a third cysteine residue in the TNF-R consensus sequence that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 26 of the first TNF-R domain of TANGO 140-1 (SEQ ID NO:5); there is a fourth cysteine residue in the TNF-R consensus sequence that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 29 of the first TNF-
- 25 R domain of TANGO 140-1 (SEQ ID NO:5); there is a fifth cysteine residue in the TNF-R consensus sequence that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 39 of the first TNF-R domain of TANGO 140-1 (SEQ ID NO:5); and/or there is a sixth cysteine residue in the TNF-R consensus sequence that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 49 of the first TNF-R domain of TANGO 140-1 (SEQ ID NO:5). In addition, conserved cysteine
- 30 residues can be found at amino acids 52, 66, 69, 72, 83 and/or 91 of the second TNF-R domain of TANGO 140-1 (SEQ ID NO:5). Moreover, as shown in Figure 20, conserved cysteine residues can be found at amino acids 25, 37, 40, 43, 53 and/or 63 of the first TNF-R domain of TANGO 140-2 (SEQ ID NO:7); and at amino acids 66, 80, 83, 86, 97 and/or 105 of TANGO-140-2 (SEQ ID NO:7). The TNF-R consensus sequence is available from
- 35 the HMMer version 2.0 software as Accession Number PF00020. Software for HMM-

based profiles is available from <http://www.csc.ucsc.edu/research/compbio/sam.html> and from <http://genome.wustl.edu/eddy/hmmer.html>.

The present invention also includes TANGO 140 proteins having a transmembrane domain. As used herein, a transmembrane domain refers to an amino acid sequence having
5 at least about 25 to about 40 amino acid residues in length and which contains at least about 65-70% hydrophobic amino acid residues such as alanine, leucine, isoleucine, phenylalanine, proline, tyrosine, tryptophan, or valine. In a preferred embodiment, a transmembrane domain contains at least about 30-35 amino acid residues, preferably about 30-35 amino acid residues, and has at least about 60-80%, more preferably 65-75%, and
10 more preferably at least about 68% hydrophobic residues. An example of a transmembrane domain includes from about amino acids 147 to 170 of TANGO 140-1 (SEQ ID NO:5)(SEQ ID NO:36).

Thus, in one embodiment, a TANGO 140 protein includes at least one TNF-R domain, preferably two, three or four TNF-R domains and is secreted. In another
15 embodiment, a TANGO 140 protein of the invention includes at least one TNF-R domain, preferably two, three or four TNF-R domains, a transmembrane domain and is a membrane bound protein.

Various features of human TANGO 140-1 and 140-2 are summarized below.

20 Human TANGO 140-1

A cDNA encoding a portion of human TANGO 140-1 was identified by screening a stimulated human mesangial library. Human TANGO 140-1 includes a 1550 nucleotide cDNA (Figure 2; SEQ ID NO:4). It is noted that the nucleotide sequence depicted in SEQ ID NO:4 contains a *Not I* adapter sequence on the 3' end (5' GGGCGGCCGC 3')(SEQ ID
25 NO:). Thus, it is to be understood that the nucleic acid molecules of the invention include not only those sequences with such adaptor sequences but also the nucleic acid sequences described herein lacking the adaptor sequences. The open reading frame of TANGO 140-1 comprises nucleotides 2 to 619 of SEQ ID NO:4 (SEQ ID NO:38), and encodes a 206 amino acid putative membrane protein (Figure 2; SEQ ID NO:5).

30 In one embodiment, human TANGO 140-1 includes an extracellular domain (about amino acids 1 to 146 of SEQ ID NO:5)(SEQ ID NO:35), a transmembrane (TM) domain (amino acids 147 to 170 of SEQ ID NO:5)(SEQ ID NO:36); and a cytoplasmic domain (amino acids 171 to 206 of SEQ ID NO:5)(SEQ ID NO:37). Alternatively, in another embodiment, a human TANGO 140-1 protein contains an extracellular domain at amino
35 acid residues 1 to 146 of SEQ ID NO:5 (SEQ ID NO:), a transmembrane domain at amino

acid residues 147 to 170 of SEQ ID NO:5 (SEQ ID NO:), and a cytoplasmic domain at amino acid residues 171 to 206 of SEQ ID NO:5 (SEQ ID NO:).

The extracellular region of human TANGO 140-1 includes TNF-R domains from about amino acids 11 to 49 of SEQ ID NO:5 (SEQ ID NO:100) and from about amino acids
5 52-91 of SEQ ID NO:5 (SEQ ID NO:101).

A clone, EpDH137, which encodes human TANGO 140-1 was deposited as part of EpDHMix1 with the American Type Culture Collection, 10801 University Boulevard, Manassas, VA 20110-2209) on November 20, 1998 which was assigned Accession Number 98999. This deposit will be maintained under the terms of the Budapest Treaty on the
10 International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure. This deposit was made merely as a convenience for those of skill in the art and is not an admission that a deposit is required under 35 U.S.C. §112.

Figure 10 depicts a hydropathy plot of human TANGO 140-1. Relatively hydrophobic residues are above the horizontal line, and relatively hydrophilic residues are
15 below the horizontal line. As shown in the hydropathy plot, amino acids 147 to 170 of SEQ ID NO:5 (SEQ ID NO:36) correspond to a transmembrane domain of TANGO 140-1. The cysteine residues (cys) and potential N-glycosylation sites (Ngly) are indicated by short vertical lines just below the hydropathy trace.

20 HUMAN TANGO 140-2

An additional clone having significant homology to human TANGO 140-1 was identified. The clone was sequenced and is likely to be a splice variant of TANGO 140-1. This variant is referred to herein as TANGO 140-2. The human TANGO 140-2 includes a 3385 nucleotide cDNA (Figure 3; SEQ ID NO:6). It is noted that the nucleotide sequence
25 depicted in SEQ ID NO:6 contains a *Not I* adapter sequence on the 3' end (5' GGGCGG CCGC 3' (SEQ ID NO:)). Thus, it is to be understood that the nucleic acid molecules of the invention include not only those sequences with such adaptor sequences but also the nucleic acid sequences described herein lacking the adaptor sequences. The open reading frame of TANGO 140-2 comprises nucleotides 2 to 619 of SEQ ID NO:6 (SEQ ID NO:38), and
30 encodes a 198 amino acid putative secreted protein (Figure 3; SEQ ID NO:7).

Human TANGO 140-2 also includes TNF-R domains from about amino acids 25 to 63 of SEQ ID NO:7 (SEQ ID NO:102), and from about amino acids 66 to 105 of SEQ ID NO:7 (SEQ ID NO:103).

A clone, EpDH185, which encodes human TANGO 140-2 was deposited as part of
35 EpDHMix1 with the American Type Culture Collection (10801 University Boulevard, Manassas, VA 20110-2209) on November 20, 1998 which was assigned Accession Number

98999. This deposit will be maintained under the terms of the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure. This deposit was made merely as a convenience for those of skill in the art and is not an admission that a deposit is required under 35 U.S.C. §112.

5 Figure 11 depicts a hydropathy plot of TANGO 140-2. Relatively hydrophobic residues are above the horizontal line, and relatively hydrophilic residues are below the horizontal line. As shown in the hydropathy plot, TANGO 140-2 does not have a transmembrane domain. The cysteine residues (cys) and potential N-glycosylation sites (Ngly) are indicated by short vertical lines just below the hydropathy trace.

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Uses of TANGO 140 Nucleic Acids, Polypeptides, and Modulators Thereof

 The TANGO 140 proteins of the invention comprise a family of proteins having sequence similarity to members of the TNF-R superfamily. Thus, the TANGO 140 proteins of the invention are members of the TNF-R superfamily. Accordingly, TANGO 140
15 proteins likely function in a similar manner as members of the TNF-R family and TANGO 140 modulators can be used to treat any TNF-R/NGF-R-associated disorders.

 For example, members of the tumor necrosis factor receptor (TNF-R) superfamily regulate a diverse range of cellular processes including cell proliferation, programmed cell death and immune responses. TNF-R family members are cell surface proteins which
20 function as receptors for cytokines. Mallet et al. (1991) *Immunology Today* 12:220-223. For example, the binding of NGF to NGF-R causes neuronal differentiation and survival. Barde (1989) *Neuron* 2:1525-1534. Similarly, the TANGO 140 molecules of the invention can modulate neuronal differentiation and survival.

 NGF (nerve growth factor) induces, *inter alia*, neurite outgrowth and promotes
25 survival of embryonic sensory and sympathetic neurons. Nerve growth factor (NGF) is also involved in the development and maintenance of the nervous system. Thus, TANGO 140 polypeptides, nucleic acids and/or modulators thereof can be used to modulate the function, morphology, proliferation and/or differentiation of cells in the nervous system. Such molecules may be used in the treatment of neural disorders, including, without limitation,
30 epilepsy, muscular dystrophy, and neurodegenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease, and Huntington's disease).

 In addition, both TGF- α and TGF- β bind to TGF-RI and TGF-RII, leading to a diverse range of effects including inflammation and tumor cell death. Beutler et al. (1989) *Ann. Rev. Immunol.* 7:625-655; Sprang (1990) *Trends Biochem. Sci.* 15:366-368. Thus, the
35 TANGO 140 proteins of the invention are likely to bind directly or indirectly to a soluble

protein, e.g., a cytokine, or membrane-bound protein, and play a role in modulating inflammation, cell proliferation, and/or apoptosis.

In light of the similarity of TANGO 140, TANGO 140 polypeptides, nucleic acids and/or modulators thereof can be used to treat TANGO 140 associated disorders which can include TNF-related disorders (*e.g.*, acute myocarditis, myocardial infarction, congestive heart failure, T cell disorders (*e.g.*, dermatitis, fibrosis)), immunological differentiative and apoptotic disorders (*e.g.*, hyper-proliferative syndromes such as systemic lupus erythematosus (lupus)), and disorders related to angiogenesis (*e.g.*, tumor formation and/or metastasis, cancer). Examples of types of cancers include benign tumors, neoplasms or tumors (such as carcinomas, sarcomas, adenomas or myeloid lymphoma tumors, *e.g.*, fibrosarcoma, myxosarcoma, liposarcoma, chondrosarcoma, osteogenic sarcoma, chordoma, angiosarcoma, endotheliosarcoma, lymphangiosarcoma, lymphangioendotheliosarcoma, synovioma, mesothelioma, Ewing's tumor, leiomyosarcoma, rhabdotheriosarcoma, colon sarcoma, pancreatic cancer, breast cancer, ovarian cancer, prostate cancer, squamous cell carcinoma, basal cell carcinoma, adenocarcinoma, sweat gland carcinoma, sebaceous gland carcinoma, papillary carcinoma, papillary adenocarcinomas, cystadenocarcinoma, medullary carcinoma, bronchogenic carcinoma, renal cell carcinoma, hematoma, bile duct carcinoma, melanoma, choriocarcinoma, semicoma, embryonal carcinoma, Wilms' tumor, cervical cancer, testicular tumor, lung carcinoma, small cell carcinoma, bladder carcinoma, epithelial carcinoma, glioma, astrocytoma, medulloblastoma, craniopharyngioma, ependynoma, pinealoma, hemangioblastoma, retinoblastoma), leukemias, (*e.g.* acute lymphocytic leukemia), acute myelocytic leukemia (myelolastic, promyelocytic, myelomonocytic, monocytic and erythroleukemia), chronic leukemias (chronic myelocytic (granulocytic) leukemia and chronic lymphocytic leukemia), or polycythemia vera, or lymphomas (Hodgkin's disease and non-Hodgkin's diseases), multiple myelomas and Waldenström's macroglobulinemia.

Moreover, as TANGO 140 is expressed in a stimulated mesangial library, the TANGO 140 polypeptides, nucleic acids and/or modulators thereof can be used to modulate the function, morphology, proliferation and/or differentiation of cells in the tissues in which it is expressed. Mesangial cells are known to play an important role in maintaining structure and function of the glomerulus and in the pathogenesis of glomerular diseases. Moreover, the local production of chemokines by mesangial cells has been linked to inflammatory processes within the glomerulus. Also, it is known that high glucose directly increases oxidative stress in glomerular mesangial cells, a target cell of diabetic nephropathy. Thus, TANGO 140 polypeptides, nucleic acids and/or modulators thereof can be used to modulate the function, morphology, proliferation and/or differentiation of cells in

the kidney. Such molecules can also be used to treat disorders associated with abnormal or aberrant metabolism or function of cells in the kidney. Therefore, such molecules can be used to treat or modulate renal (kidney) disorders, such as glomerular diseases (e.g., acute and chronic glomerulonephritis, rapidly progressive glomerulonephritis, nephrotic syndrome, focal proliferative glomerulonephritis, glomerular lesions associated with systemic disease, such as systemic lupus erythematosus, Goodpasture's syndrome, multiple myeloma, diabetes, neoplasia, sickle cell disease, and chronic inflammatory diseases), tubular diseases (e.g., acute tubular necrosis and acute renal failure, polycystic renal diseasemedullary sponge kidney, medullary cystic disease, nephrogenic diabetes, and renal tubular acidosis), tubulointerstitial diseases (e.g., pyelonephritis, drug and toxin induced tubulointerstitial nephritis, hypercalcemic nephropathy, and hypokalemic nephropathy) acute and rapidly progressive renal failure, chronic renal failure, nephrolithiasis, vascular diseases (e.g., hypertension and nephrosclerosis, microangiopathic hemolytic anemia, atheroembolic renal disease, diffuse cortical necrosis, and renal infarcts), or tumors (e.g., renal cell carcinoma and nephroblastoma).

TANGO 197

In one aspect, the present invention is based on the discovery of cDNA molecules which encode a novel family of proteins referred to herein as TANGO 197 proteins.

The TANGO 197 proteins and nucleic acid molecules comprise a family of molecules having certain conserved structural and functional features. As used herein, the term "family" is intended to mean two or more proteins or nucleic acid molecules having a common structural domain and having sufficient amino acid or nucleotide sequence identity as defined herein. Family members can be from either the same or different species. For example, a family can comprise two or more proteins of human origin, or can comprise one or more proteins of human origin and one or more of non-human origin. Members of the same family may also have common structural domains.

For example, the type A module superfamily, which includes proteins of the extracellular matrix and various proteins with adhesive function, have a von Willebrand factor type A (vWF) domain. This domain allows for the interaction between various cells and/or extracellular matrix (ECM) components. Thus, included within the scope of the invention are TANGO 197 proteins having a von Willebrand factor type A (vWF) domain. As used herein, a vWF domain refers to an amino acid sequence of about 150 to 200, preferably about 160 to 190, 170 to 180, and more preferably about 172 to 175 amino acids in length. A vWF domain of TANGO 197 extends, for example, from about amino acids 44 to 215 of SEQ ID NO:9 (SEQ ID NO:105).

Conserved amino acid motifs, referred to herein as "consensus patterns" or "signature patterns", can be used to identify TANGO 197 family members having a vWF domain. For example, the following signature pattern can be used to identify TANGO 197 family members: D - x (2) - F - [ILV] - x - D - x - S - x (2, 3) - [ILV] - x (10, 12) - F (SEQ ID NO:49). The signature patterns or consensus patterns described herein are described according to the following designation: all amino acids are indicated according to their universal single letter designation; "x" designates any amino acid; x(n) designates "n" number of amino acids, e.g., x (2) designates any two amino acids, e.g., x (2, 3) designates any of two to three amino acids; and, amino acids in brackets indicates any one of the amino acids within the brackets, e.g., [ILV] indicates any of one of either I (isoleucine), L (leucine) or V (valine). TANGO 197 has such a signature pattern at about amino acids 44 to 65 of SEQ ID NO:9 (SEQ ID NO:104).

An alignment of TANGO 197 and the vWF consensus sequence is shown in Figure 21. The vWF consensus sequence is available from the HMMer 2.0 software as Accession Number PF00092. Software for HMM-based profiles is available from <http://www.csc.ucsc.edu/research/compbio/sam.html> and from <http://genome.wustl.edu/eddy/hmmer.html>.

Also included within the scope of the present invention are TANGO 197 proteins having a signal sequence. As used herein, a "signal sequence" includes a peptide of at least about 15 or 20 amino acid residues in length which occurs at the N-terminus of secretory and membrane-bound proteins and which contains at least about 70% hydrophobic amino acid residues such as alanine, leucine, isoleucine, phenylalanine, proline, tyrosine, tryptophan, or valine. In a preferred embodiment, a signal sequence contains at least about 15 to 40 amino acid residues, preferably about 15-30 amino acid residues, and has at least about 60-60%, more preferably 65-75%, and more preferably at least about 70% hydrophobic residues. A signal sequence serves to direct a protein containing such a sequence to a lipid bilayer.

In certain embodiments, a TANGO 197 family member has the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:9, and the signal sequence is located at amino acids 1 to 25, 1 to 26, 1 to 27, 1 to 28, or 1 to 29. In such embodiments of the invention, the domains and the mature protein resulting from cleavage of such signal peptides are also included herein. Thus, in another embodiment, a TANGO 197 protein contains a signal sequence of about amino acids 1 to 27 of SEQ ID NO:2 ((SEQ ID NO:24) which results in an extracellular domain consisting of amino acids 28 to 301 of SEQ ID NO:2 (SEQ ID NO:), and a mature TANGO 197 protein corresponding to amino acids 28 to 333 of SEQ ID NO:2 (SEQ ID NO:). The signal sequence is normally cleaved during processing of the mature protein.

Various features of human and mouse TANGO 197 are summarized below.

5 HUMAN TANGO 197

A cDNA encoding a portion of human TANGO 197 was identified by screening a human fetal lung library. An additional screen of an osteoclast library was performed to obtain a clone comprising a full length human TANGO 197. Human TANGO 197 includes a 2272 nucleotide cDNA (Figure 4; SEQ ID NO:8). It is noted that the nucleotide sequence depicted in SEQ ID NO:8 contains *Sal I* and *Not I* adapter sequences on the 5' and 3' ends, respectively ((GTGACCCACGCGTCCT (SEQ ID NO:), and GGGCGGCCGC (SEQ ID NO:), respectively). Thus, it is to be understood that the nucleic acid molecules of the invention include not only those sequences with such adaptor sequences but also the nucleic acid sequences described herein lacking the adaptor sequences. The open reading frame of this cDNA, nucleotides 213 to 1211 (SEQ ID NO:10), encodes a 333 amino acid transmembrane protein (Figure 4; SEQ ID NO:9).

The signal peptide prediction program SIGNALP (Nielsen et al. (1997) *Protein Engineering* 10:1-6) predicted that human TANGO 197 includes a 27 amino acid signal peptide (amino acids 1 to about amino acid 27 of SEQ ID NO:9)(SEQ ID NO:24) preceding the mature TANGO 197 protein (corresponding to about amino acid 28 to amino acid 333 of SEQ ID NO:9)(SEQ ID NO:30).

Human TANGO 197 includes a vWF domain from about amino acids 44 to 215 of SEQ ID NO:9.

A clone, EpDH213, which encodes human TANGO 197 was deposited as part of EpDHMix1 with the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC, 10801 University Boulevard, Manassas, VA 20110-2209) on November 20, 1998 which was assigned Accession Number 98999. This deposit will be maintained under the terms of the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure. This deposit was made merely as a convenience to those of skill in the art and is not an admission that a deposit is required under 35 U.S.C. §112.

Figure 12 depicts a hydropathy plot of human TANGO 197. Relatively hydrophobic residues are above the horizontal line, and relatively hydrophilic residues are below the horizontal line. As shown in the hydropathy plot, the hydrophobic region at the beginning of the plot which corresponds to about amino acids 1 to 27 of SEQ ID NO:9 (SEQ ID NO:24) is the signal sequence of TANGO 197. The cysteine residues (cys) and potential N-

glycosylation sites (Ngly) are indicated by short vertical lines just below the hydropathy trace.

In one embodiment, human TANGO 197 protein is a transmembrane protein that contains an extracellular domain at amino acid residues 28-301 of SEQ ID NO:9 (SEQ ID NO:), a transmembrane domain at amino acid residues 302 to 319 of SEQ ID NO:9 (SEQ ID NO:), and a cytoplasmic domain at amino acid residues 320 -333 of SEQ ID NO:9 (SEQ ID NO:). Alternatively, in another embodiment, a human TANGO 197 protein contains an extracellular domain at amino acid residues 320 to 333 of SEQ ID NO:9 (SEQ ID NO:), a transmembrane domain at amino acid residues 302 to 319 of SEQ ID NO:9 (SEQ ID NO:), and a cytoplasmic domain at amino acid residues 1 to 301 of SEQ ID NO:9 (SEQ ID NO:).

Northern analysis of human TANGO 197 mRNA expression revealed expression in a wide variety of tissues such as brain, skeletal muscle, colon, thymus, spleen, kidney, liver, and the small intestine. The highest levels of expression were seen in tissues such as the heart, placenta and lung. There was no expression of the transcript in peripheral blood leukocytes.

Mouse TANGO 197

A mouse homolog of human TANGO 197 was identified. A cDNA encoding mouse TANGO 197 was identified by analyzing the sequences of clones present in a mouse testis (Sertoli TM4 cells) cDNA library. This analysis led to the identification of a clone, jtmzb062c08, encoding full-length mouse TANGO 197. The murine TANGO 197 cDNA of this clone is 4417 nucleotides long (Figure 27; SEQ ID NO:56). It is noted that the nucleotide sequence depicted in SEQ ID NO:56 contains a *Not I* adapter sequence on the 3' end (5' GGGCGGCCGC 3' (SEQ ID NO:)). Thus, it is to be understood that the nucleic acid molecules of the invention include not only those sequences with such adaptor sequences but also the nucleic acid sequences described herein lacking the adaptor sequences. The open reading frame of this cDNA, comprises nucleotides 3-1145 of SEQ ID NO:56 (SEQ ID NO:58), encodes a 381 amino acid transmembrane protein (Figure 27; SEQ ID NO:57).

In one embodiment, mouse TANGO 197 protein is a transmembrane protein that contains an extracellular domain at amino acid residues 161 to 381 of SEQ ID NO:57 (SEQ ID NO:), a transmembrane domain at amino acid residues 139 to 160 of SEQ ID NO:57 (SEQ ID NO:), and a cytoplasmic domain at amino acid residues 1 to 138 of SEQ ID NO:57 (SEQ ID NO:). Alternatively, in another embodiment, a mouse TANGO 197 protein contains an extracellular domain at amino acid residues 1 to 139 of SEQ ID NO:57 (SEQ ID NO:), a transmembrane domain at amino acid residues 139 to 160 of SEQ ID

NO:57 (SEQ ID NO:), and a cytoplasmic domain at amino acid residues 161 to 381 of SEQ ID NO:57 (SEQ ID NO:).

Expression of mouse TANGO 197 mRNA was detected by a library array procedure. Briefly, the library array procedure entailed preparing a PCR mixture by adding to the standards reagents (Taq Polymerase, dNTPs, and PCR buffer) a vector primer, a primer internal to the gene of interest, and an aliquot of a library in which expression was to be tested. This procedure was performed with many libraries at a time in a 96 well PCR tray, with 80 or more wells containing libraries and a control well in which the above primers were combined with the clone of interest itself. The control well served as an indicator of the fragment size to be expected in the library wells, in the event the clone of interest was expressed within. Amplification was performed in a PCR machine, employing standard PCR conditions for denaturing, annealing, and elongation, and the resultant mixture was mixed with an appropriate loading dye and run on an ethidium bromide-stained agarose gel. The gel was later viewed with UV light after the DNA loaded within its lanes had time to migrate into the gels. Lanes in which a band corresponding with the control band was visible indicated the libraries in which the clone of interest was expressed.

Results of the library array procedure revealed strong expression in the choroid plexus, 12.5 day whole mouse embryo, LPS-stimulated osteoblast tissue, hyphae stimulated long term bone marrow cells. Weak expression was detected in TM4 (Sertoli cells), from testis, esophagus, LPS-stimulated osteoblast tissue. No expression was detected in differentiated 3T3, 10.5 day mouse fetus, mouse kidney fibrosis model, nephrotoxic serum (NTS), LPS-stimulated heart, LPS-stimulated osteoblasts, lung, mouse insulinoma (Nit-1), normal/hyperplastic islets (pancreas), normal spleen, 11.5 day mouse, LPS-stimulated lung, hypertrophic heart, LPS-stimulated kidney, LPS-stimulated lymph node, mc/9 mast cells, 13.5 day mouse, LPS-stimulated anchored heart, normal thymus, Th2-ovarian-Tg, Balb C liver (bile duct ligation d2), normal heart, brain polysome (MPB), LPS-stimulated anchored liver, brain (EAE d10 model), th1-ovarian-Tg, heart, hypothalamus, long term bone marrow cells, megakaryocyte, LPS-stimulated spleen, hyphae-stimulated long term bone marrow, lung, angiogenic pancreatic islets, Th2, brain, LPS-stimulated thymus, LPS-stimulated microglial cells, testes (random-primed), tumor pancreatic islets, LPS-stimulated brain, LPS-stimulated alveolar macrophage cell line, mouse lung bleomycin model, pregnant uterus, and hypothalamus nuclei.

Human and murine TANGO 197 sequences exhibit considerable similarity at the protein, nucleic acid, and open reading frame levels. An alignment (made using the ALIGN software {Myers and Miller (1989) CABIOS, ver. 2.0}; BLOSUM 62 scoring matrix; gap penalties -12/-4), reveals a protein identity of 88.0 %. The human and murine TANGO 197

full length cDNAs are 52.8% identical, as assessed using the same software and parameters as indicated (without the BLOSUM 62 scoring matrix). In the respective ORFs, calculated in the same fashion as the full length cDNAs, human and murine TANGO 197 are 51.6% identical.

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Uses of TANGO 197 Nucleic Acids, Polypeptides, and Modulators Thereof

As TANGO 197 exhibits expression in the lung, TANGO 197 polypeptides, nucleic acids, or modulators thereof, can be used to treat pulmonary (lung) disorders, such as atelectasis, pulmonary congestion or edema, chronic obstructive airway disease (e.g.,
10 emphysema, chronic bronchitis, bronchial asthma, and bronchiectasis), diffuse interstitial diseases (e.g., sarcoidosis, pneumoconiosis, hypersensitivity pneumonitis, Goodpasture's syndrome, idiopathic pulmonary hemosiderosis, pulmonary alveolar proteinosis, desquamative interstitial pneumonitis, chronic interstitial pneumonia, fibrosing alveolitis, hamman-rich syndrome, pulmonary eosinophilia, diffuse interstitial fibrosis, Wegener's
15 granulomatosis, lymphomatoid granulomatosis, and lipid pneumonia), or tumors (e.g., bronchogenic carcinoma, bronchioloalveolar carcinoma, bronchial carcinoid, hamartoma, and mesenchymal tumors).

Moreover, as a species isoform of TANGO 197 was also isolated from a testis library, therefore TANGO 197 polypeptides, nucleic acids, or modulators thereof, can be used to
20 treat testicular disorders, such as unilateral testicular enlargement (e.g., nontuberculous, granulomatous orchitis), inflammatory diseases resulting in testicular dysfunction (e.g., gonorrhea and mumps), and tumors (e.g., germ cell tumors, interstitial cell tumors, androblastoma, testicular lymphoma and adenomatoid tumors).

Furthermore, as TANGO 197 is expressed in the testis, the TANGO 197
25 polypeptides, nucleic acids and/or modulators thereof can be used to modulate, for example and without limitation, Klinefelter syndrome (both the classic and mosaic forms), XX male syndrome, variocoele, germinal cell aplasia (the Sertoli cell-only syndrome), idiopathic azoospermia or severe oligospermia, cryptorchidism, and immotile cilia syndrome, or testicular cancer (primary germ cell tumors of the testis). In another example, TANGO 197
30 polypeptides, nucleic acids, or modulators thereof, can be used to treat testicular disorders, such as unilateral testicular enlargement (e.g., nontuberculous, granulomatous orchitis), inflammatory diseases resulting in testicular dysfunction (e.g., gonorrhea and mumps), and tumors (e.g., germ cell tumors, interstitial cell tumors, androblastoma, testicular lymphoma and adenomatoid tumors).

35 As discussed above, the vWF domain of TANGO 197 is involved in cellular adhesion and interaction with extracellular matrix (ECM) components. Proteins of the type

A module superfamily which incorporate a vWF domain participate in multiple ECM and cell/ECM interactions. For example, proteins having a vWF domain have been found to play a role in cellular adhesion, migration, homing, pattern formation and/or signal transduction after interaction with several different ligands (Colombatti et al. (1993) *Matrix* 5 13:297-306).

Similarly, the TANGO 197 proteins of the invention likely play a role in various extracellular matrix interactions, e.g., matrix binding, and/or cellular adhesion. Thus, a TANGO 197 activity is at least one or more of the following activities: 1) regulation of extracellular matrix structuring; 2) modulation of cellular adhesion, either *in vitro* or *in vivo*; 3) regulation of cell trafficking and/or migration. Accordingly, the TANGO 197 10 proteins, nucleic acid molecules and/or modulators can be used to modulate cellular interactions such as cell-cell and/or cell-matrix interactions and thus, to treat disorders associated with abnormal cellular interactions.

TANGO 197 polypeptides, nucleic acids and/or modulators thereof can also be used 15 to modulate cell adhesion in proliferative disorders, such as cancer. Examples of types of cancers include benign tumors, neoplasms or tumors (such as carcinomas, sarcomas, adenomas or myeloid lymphoma tumors, e.g., fibrosarcoma, myxosarcoma, liposarcoma, chondrosarcoma, osteogenic sarcoma, chordoma, angiosarcoma, endotheliosarcoma, lymphangiosarcoma, lymphangioendotheliosarcoma, synovioma, mesothelioma, Ewing's 20 tumor, leiomyosarcoma, rhabdotheriosarcoma, colon sarcoma, pancreatic cancer, breast cancer, ovarian cancer, prostate cancer, squamous cell carcinoma, basal cell carcinoma, adenocarcinoma, sweat gland carcinoma, sebaceous gland carcinoma, papillary carcinoma, papillary adenocarcinomas, cystadenocarcinoma, medullary carcinoma, bronchogenic carcinoma, renal cell carcinoma, hematoma, bile duct carcinoma, melanoma, 25 choriocarcinoma, seminoma, embryonal carcinoma, Wilms' tumor, cervical cancer, testicular tumor, lung carcinoma, small cell carcinoma, bladder carcinoma, epithelial carcinoma, glioma, astrocytoma, medulloblastoma, craniopharyngioma, ependynoma, pinealoma, hemangioblastoma, retinoblastoma), leukemias, (e.g. acute lymphocytic leukemia), acute myelocytic leukemia (myeloblastic, promyelocytic, myelomonocytic, 30 monocytic and erythroleukemia), chronic leukemias (chronic myelocytic (granulocytic) leukemia and chronic lymphocytic leukemia), or polycythemia vera, or lymphomas (Hodgkin's disease and non-Hodgkin's diseases), multiple myelomas and Waldenström's macroglobulinemia.

TANGO 212

In another aspect, the present invention is based on the discovery of cDNA molecules which encode a novel family of proteins referred to herein as TANGO 212 proteins.

5 The TANGO 212 proteins and nucleic acid molecules comprise a family of molecules having certain conserved structural and functional features. As used herein, the term "family" is intended to mean two or more proteins or nucleic acid molecules having a common structural domain and having sufficient amino acid or nucleotide sequence identity as defined herein. Family members can be from either the same or different species. For
10 example, a family can comprises two or more proteins of human origin, or can comprise one or more proteins of human origin and one or more of non-human origin. Members of the same family may also have common structural domains.

For example, the EGF family to which the TANGO 212 proteins of the invention bear sequence similarity, are a family of mitogens which contain a conserved pattern of
15 cysteine residues. Conserved cysteine residues, as used herein, refer to cysteine residues which are maintained within TANGO 212 family members (and/or EGF family members). This cysteine pattern is referred to herein as an epidermal growth factor (EGF) domain. These cysteine residues form disulfide bonds which can affect the structural integrity of the protein. Thus, included within the scope of the invention are TANGO 212 proteins having
20 at least one, preferably two, three, four, or five EGF domain(s). As used herein, an EGF-domain refers to an amino acid sequence of about 25 to 50, preferably about 30 to 45, 30 to 40, and more preferably about 31, 35, 36 to 40 amino acids in length.

Conserved amino acid motifs, referred to herein as "consensus patterns" or "signature patterns", can be used to identify TANGO 212 family members (and/or EGF
25 family members) having an EGF domain. For example, the following signature pattern referred to herein as a EGF-like consensus sequence, can be used to identify TANGO 212 family members: C - x - C - x (5, 11) - G - x (2, 3) - C (SEQ ID NO:50). The signature patterns or consensus patterns described herein are described according to the following designations: all amino acids are indicated according to their universal single letter
30 designation; "x" designates any amino acid; and, x(n) designates "n" number of amino acids, e.g., x (2) designates any two amino acids, e.g., x(2,3) designates any two to three amino acids. TANGO 212 has such a signature pattern at about amino acids 80 to 91 (SEQ ID NO:106), amino acids 156 to 172 (SEQ ID NO:107), amino acids 200 to 217 (SEQ ID NO: 108) and/or amino acids 245 to 258 of SEQ ID NO:12 (SEQ ID NO:109). An EGF
35 domain of TANGO 212 extends, for example, from about amino acids 61 to 91 of SEQ ID NO:12 (SEQ ID NO:110), from about amino acids 98 to 132 of SEQ ID NO:12 (SEQ ID

NO:111), from about amino acids 138 to 172 of SEQ ID NO:12 (SEQ ID NO:112), from about amino acids 178 to 217 of SEQ ID NO:12 (SEQ ID NO:113), and/or from about amino acids 223 to 258 of SEQ ID NO:12 (SEQ ID NO:114).

5 An EGF domain further contains at least about 2 to 10, preferably, 3 to 9, 4 to 8, or 6 to 7 conserved cysteine residues. By alignment of a TANGO 212 family member with an EGF-like consensus sequence, conserved cysteine residues can be found. For example, as shown in Figure 22, there is a first cysteine residue in the EGF-like consensus sequence that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 61 of the first EGF domain of TANGO 212 (SEQ ID NO:12); there is a second cysteine residue in the EGF-like consensus
10 sequence that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 69 of the first EGF domain of TANGO 212 (SEQ ID NO:12); there is a third cysteine residue in the EGF-like consensus sequence that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 74 of the first EGF domain of TANGO 212 (SEQ ID NO:12); there is a fourth cysteine residue in the EGF-like consensus sequence that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 80 of the first EGF domain of
15 TANGO 212 (SEQ ID NO:12); there is a fifth cysteine residue in the EGF-like consensus sequence that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 82 of the first EGF domain of TANGO 212 (SEQ ID NO:12); and/or there is a sixth cysteine residue in the EGF-like consensus sequence that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 91 of the first EGF-domain of TANGO 212 (SEQ ID NO:12). In addition, conserved cysteine residues can be
20 found at amino acids 98, 105, 109, 118, 120 and/or 132 of the second EGF domain of TANGO 212 (SEQ ID NO:12); at amino acids 138, 143, 147, 156, 158 and/or 172 of the third EGF domain of TANGO 212 (SEQ ID NO:12); at amino acids 178, 185, 191, 200, 202 and/or 217 of the fourth EGF domain of TANGO 212 (SEQ ID NO:12); and at amino acids 223, 230, 236, 245, 247 and/or 258 of the fifth EGF domain of TANGO 212 (SEQ ID
25 NO:12). The EGF-like consensus sequence is available from the HMMer version 2.0 software as Accession Number PF00008. Software for HMM-based profiles is available from <http://www.csc.ucsc.edu/research/compbio/sam.html> and from <http://genome.wustl.edu/eddy/hmmer.html>.

The present invention also features TANGO 212 proteins having a MAM domain.
30 The MAM domain is associated with various adhesive proteins and as such is likely to have adhesive function. Within MAM domains are conserved cysteine residues which play a role in the adhesion of a MAM domain to other proteins. As used herein, a MAM domain refers to an amino acid sequence of about 120 to about 170, preferably about 130 to 160, 140 to 150, and more preferably about 145 to 147 amino acids in length.

35 Conserved amino acid motifs, referred to herein as "consensus patterns" or "signature patterns", can be used to identify TANGO 212 family members having a MAM

domain. For example, the following signature pattern can be used to identify TANGO 212 family members: G - x - [LIVMFY] (2) - x (3) - [STA] - x (10, 11) - [LV] - x (4,6) - [LIVMF] - x (6, 7) - C - [LIVM] - x (3) - [LIVMFY] - x (3, 4) - [GSC] (SEQ ID NO:51).

The signature patterns or consensus patterns described herein are described according to the following designations: all amino acids are indicated according to their universal single letter designation; "x" designates any amino acid; x(n) designates "n" number of amino acids, e.g., x (2) designates any two amino acids, e.g., x (6, 7) designates any six to seven amino acids; and, amino acids in brackets indicates any one of the amino acids within the brackets, e.g., [STA] indicates any of one of either S (serine), T (threonine) or A (alanine). TANGO 212 has such a signature pattern at about amino acids 431 to 472 of SEQ ID NO:12 (SEQ ID NO:115).

A MAM domain further contains at least about 2 to 6, preferably, 3 to 5, more preferably 4 conserved cysteine residues. By alignment of a TANGO 212 family member with a MAM consensus sequence, conserved cysteine residues can be found. For example, as shown in Figure 23, there is a first cysteine residue in the MAM consensus sequence that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 402 of TANGO 212 (SEQ ID NO:12); there is a second cysteine residue in the MAM consensus sequence that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 409 of TANGO 212 (SEQ ID NO:12); there is a third cysteine residue in the MAM consensus sequence that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 463 of TANGO 212 (SEQ ID NO:12); and/or there is a fourth cysteine residue in the MAM consensus sequence that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 544 of TANGO 212 (SEQ ID NO:12). The MAM consensus sequence is available from the HMMer version 2.0 software as Accession Number PF00629. Software for HMM-based profiles is available from <http://www.csc.ucsc.edu/research/compbio/sam.html> and from <http://genome.wustl.edu/eddy/hmmer.html>.

Also included within the scope of the present invention are TANGO 212 proteins having a signal sequence. As used herein, a signal sequence includes a peptide of at least about 15 or 20 amino acid residues in length which occurs at the N-terminus of secretory and membrane-bound proteins and which contains at least about 75% hydrophobic amino acid residues such as alanine, leucine, isoleucine, phenylalanine, proline, tyrosine, tryptophan, or valine. In a preferred embodiment, a signal sequence contains at least about 15 to 40 amino acid residues, preferably about 15-30 amino acid residues, and has at least about 65-85%, more preferably 70-80%, and more preferably at least about 75% hydrophobic residues. A signal sequence serves to direct a protein containing such a sequence to a lipid bilayer.

In certain embodiments, a TANGO 212 family member has the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:12, and the signal sequence is located at amino acids 1 to 16, 1 to 17, 1 to 18, 1 to 19, or 1 to 20. In such embodiments of the invention, the domains and the mature protein resulting from cleavage of such signal peptides are also included herein. For example, the cleavage of a signal sequence consisting of amino acids 1 to 18 of SEQ ID NO:12 (SEQ ID NO:25) results in a mature TANGO 212 protein corresponding to amino acids 19 to 553 of SEQ ID NO:12 (SEQ ID NO:31). The signal sequence is normally cleaved during processing of the mature protein.

In one embodiment, a TANGO 212 protein of the invention includes at least one EGF domain, preferably two, three, four, or five EGF domains and a MAM domain. In another embodiment, a TANGO 212 protein of the invention includes at least one EGF domain, preferably two, three, four, or five EGF domains, a MAM domain, a signal sequence, and is secreted.

Various features of human and mouse TANGO 212 are summarized below.

Human TANGO 212

A cDNA encoding human TANGO 212 was identified by screening a human fetal lung library. A clone, comprising TANGO 212, was selected for complete sequencing based on its ability to direct the secretion of a protein of approximately 30 kDa in ³⁵-S labeled supernatants of 293T cells.

TANGO 212 includes a 2435 nucleotide cDNA (Figure 5; SEQ ID NO:11). It is noted that the nucleotide sequence depicted in SEQ ID NO:11 contains *Sal I* and *Not I* adaptor sequences on the 5' and 3' ends, respectively ((GTCGACCCACGCGTCCG (SEQ ID NO:), and GGGCGGCCGC (SEQ ID NO:), respectively). Thus, it is to be understood that the nucleic acid molecules of the invention include not only those sequences with such adaptor sequences but also the nucleic acid sequences described herein lacking the adaptor sequences. The open reading frame of this cDNA, nucleotides 269 to 1927 (SEQ ID NO:13), encodes a 553 amino acid secreted protein (Figure 5; SEQ ID NO:12).

The signal peptide prediction program SIGNALP (Nielsen et al. (1997) *Protein Engineering* 10:1-6) predicted that human TANGO 212 includes an 18 amino acid signal peptide (amino acids 1 to about amino acid 18 of SEQ ID NO:12) (SEQ ID NO:25) preceding the mature TANGO 212 protein (corresponding to about amino acid 19 to amino acid 553 of SEQ ID NO:12)(SEQ ID NO:31). Human TANGO 212 is predicted to have a molecular weight of approximately 61 kDa prior to cleavage of its signal peptide and a molecular weight of approximately 59 kDa subsequent to cleavage of its signal peptide. In addition, gel analysis of ³⁵-S labeled supernatants of 293T cells transfected with TANGO

212 expression plasmid identified a band at approximately 30 kDa. Thus, further processing of human TANGO 212 is likely to occur.

Secretion of TANGO 212 was detected by transfection using SPOT analysis (SignalP Optimized Tool, or "SPOT"). Briefly, SPOT based analysis was performed using software (termed developed to identify signal peptide encoding RNAs, all forward orientation open reading frames in the DNA sequences and phrap (see <http://bozeman.mbt.washington.edu/phrap.docs/phrap.html>) pre-assembled DNA sequences from the library, starting with ATG and continuing for at least 19 non-stop codons, were translated. Signal peptides in the translated sequences were then predicted using the computer algorithm SignalP (Nielsen, H. et al.(1997) Protein Engineering 10:1-6), and those sequences scoring YES were saved. Open reading frames containing signal peptides with fewer than 20 amino acids after the predicted cleavage site were discarded. The translated sequences scoring YES in the SignalP analysis were then compared against a non-redundant protein database using BLAST 1.4, PAM10 matrix with score cut-offs (parameters S and S2) set to 150. Translated sequences with a match under these conditions were discarded.

Human TANGO 212 includes five EGF domains from about amino acids 61 to 91 (SEQ ID NO:110), amino acids 98 to 132 (SEQ ID NO:111), amino acids 138 to 172 (SEQ ID NO:112), amino acids 178 to 217 (SEQ ID NO:113), and amino acids 223 to 258 of SEQ ID NO:12 (SEQ ID NO:114). Human TANGO 212 further includes a MAM domain (about amino acids 400 to 546 of SEQ ID NO:12)(SEQ ID NO:116).

A clone, EpDH202, which encodes human TANGO 212 was deposited with the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC, 10801 University Boulevard, Manassas, VA 20110-2209) on September 10, 1998 and assigned Accession Number 202171. This deposit will be maintained under the terms of the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure. This deposit was made merely as a convenience to those of skill in the art and is not an admission that a deposit is required under 35 U.S.C. §112.

Figure 13 depicts a hydropathy plot of human TANGO 212. Relatively hydrophobic residues are above the horizontal line, and relatively hydrophilic residues are below the horizontal line. As shown in the hydropathy plot, the hydrophobic region at the beginning of the plot which corresponds to about amino acids 1 to 18 of SEQ ID NO:12 is the signal sequence of TANGO 212 (SEQ ID NO:25), cleavage of which yields the mature protein of length 19-553 (SEQ ID NO:31). The cysteine residues (cys) and potential N-glycosylation sites (Ngly) are indicated by short vertical lines just below the hydropathy trace.

Northern analysis of human TANGO 212 mRNA expression revealed that is expressed at a very high level in placenta, strong levels in fetal lung and kidney, and at a low level in adult lung. No expression was seen in adult heart, liver, brain, skeletal muscle, kidney, pancreas, spleen, thymus, prostate, testis, ovary, small intestine, colon, peripheral
5 blood leukocytes, or fetal brain and liver.

Mouse TANGO 212

A mouse homolog of human TANGO 212 was identified. A cDNA encoding mouse TANGO 212 was identified by analyzing the sequences of clones present in a mouse
10 osteoblast LPS stimulated cDNA library. This analysis led to the identification of a clone, jtmoa103g01, encoding mouse TANGO 212. The murine TANGO 212 cDNA of this clone is 1180 nucleotides long (Figure 28; SEQ ID NO:59). The open reading frame of this cDNA, comprises nucleotides 180 to 1179 of SEQ ID NO:59 (SEQ ID NO:61), and encodes a polypeptide comprising the 334 amino acid secreted sequence depicted in Figure 28 (SEQ
15 ID NO:60).

In situ tissue screening was performed on mouse adult and embryonic tissue to analyze for the expression of mouse TANGO 212 mRNA. Of the adult tissues tested, only the renal medulla (kidney and medullary collecting tubules) was positive. Expression was observed primarily in the embryo. Signal was observed at E13.5 in the lung, skin (especially
20 the upper lip), diaphragm, and muscle of the abdominal cavity and skin. This pattern remained through E18.5 with increasing lung expression. Muscle expression was still apparent at E18.5 but decreased to near background levels by postnatal day 1.5 with residual expression in the upper lip. No signal was detected in the following tissues: lung, diaphragm (smooth muscle), heart, liver, pancreas, thymus, eye, brain, bladder, small
25 intestine, skeletal muscle, colon, placenta. In the case of embryonic mouse expression during the period of E13.5 through E16.5, expression was observed in the skin - especially upper lip/snout area, in the lung-multifocal at 13.5 but became more ubiquitous and more intense, muscle and diaphragm, skin, limbs (especially 13.5 and 14.5), and the abdominal wall. At E18.5, the expression observed was the same as for 13.5 through 16.5 but
30 decreasing in muscle and skin (except upper lip). At P1.5, the expression signal decreased to almost background levels except in the upper lip.

Human and murine TANGO 212 sequences exhibit considerable similarity at the protein, nucleic acid, and open reading frame levels. An alignment (made using the ALIGN software {Myers and Miller (1989) CABIOS, ver. 2.0}; BLOSUM 62 scoring matrix; gap
35 penalties -12/-4), reveals a protein identity of 77.2%. The human and murine TANGO 212

full length cDNAs are 80.5% identical, as assessed using the same software and parameters as indicated (without the BLOSUM 62 scoring matrix). In the respective ORFs, calculated in the same fashion as the full length cDNAs, human and murine TANGO 212 are 83.3% identical.

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Use of TANGO 212 Nucleic Acids, Polypeptides, and Modulators Thereof

The TANGO 212 proteins of the invention comprise a family of proteins having the hallmarks of a secreted protein of the EGF family. Accordingly, TANGO 212 proteins likely function in a similar manner as members of the EGF family. Thus, TANGO 212
10 modulators can be used to treat EGF-associated disorders.

For example, the TANGO 212 proteins likely play a role in tissue regeneration and/or wound healing. *In vitro* studies with several members of the EGF family such as EGF and TGF- α have shown that these proteins influence a number of cellular processes involved in soft tissue repair leading to their categorization as wound hormones in wound
15 healing. The affects of these proteins include cellular proliferation and chemotaxis. Thus, the TANGO 212 proteins of the invention likely affect various cells associated with wound healing. Effects that the TANGO 212 proteins have on various cells include proliferation and chemotaxis. Accordingly, the TANGO 212 proteins, nucleic acids and/or modulators of the invention are useful in the treatment of wounds and/or the modulation of proliferative
20 disorders, e.g., cancer.

Because TANGO 212 is expressed in the kidney, the TANGO 212 polypeptides, nucleic acids and/or modulators thereof can be used to modulate the function, morphology, proliferation and/or differentiation of cells in the tissues in which it is expressed. Such molecules can also be used to treat disorders associated with abnormal or aberrant
25 metabolism or function of cells in the tissues in which it is expressed. Such molecules can be used to treat or modulate renal (kidney) disorders, such as glomerular diseases (e.g., acute and chronic glomerulonephritis, rapidly progressive glomerulonephritis, nephrotic syndrome, focal proliferative glomerulonephritis, glomerular lesions associated with systemic disease, such as systemic lupus erythematosus, Goodpasture's syndrome, multiple
30 myeloma, diabetes, neoplasia, sickle cell disease, and chronic inflammatory diseases), tubular diseases (e.g., acute tubular necrosis and acute renal failure, polycystic renal diseasemedullary sponge kidney, medullary cystic disease, nephrogenic diabetes, and renal tubular acidosis), tubulointerstitial diseases (e.g., pyelonephritis, drug and toxin induced tubulointerstitial nephritis, hypercalcemic nephropathy, and hypokalemic nephropathy)
35 acute and rapidly progressive renal failure, chronic renal failure, nephrolithiasis, vascular diseases (e.g., hypertension and nephrosclerosis, microangiopathic hemolytic anemia,

atheroembolic renal disease, diffuse cortical necrosis, and renal infarcts), or tumors (e.g., renal cell carcinoma and nephroblastoma).

TANGO 213

5 In another aspect, the present invention is based on the discovery of cDNA molecules which encode a novel family of proteins having sequence similarity to progesterone binding protein, referred to herein as TANGO 213 proteins.

The TANGO 213 proteins and nucleic acid molecules comprise a family of molecules having certain conserved structural and functional features. As used herein, the
10 term "family" is intended to mean two or more proteins or nucleic acid molecules having a common structural domain and having sufficient amino acid or nucleotide sequence identity as defined herein. Family members can be from either the same or different species. For example, a family can comprises two or more proteins of human origin, or can comprise one or more proteins of human origin and one or more of non-human origin. Members of
15 the same family may also have common structural domains.

Also included within the scope of the present invention are TANGO 213 proteins having a signal sequence. As used herein, a signal sequence includes a peptide of at least about 15 or 20 amino acid residues in length which occurs at the N-terminus of secretory and membrane-bound proteins and which contains at least about 70% hydrophobic amino
20 acid residues such as alanine, leucine, isoleucine, phenylalanine, proline, tyrosine, tryptophan, or valine. In a preferred embodiment, a signal sequence contains at least about 15 to 40 amino acid residues, preferably about 15-30 amino acid residues, and has at least about 60-80%, more preferably 65-75%, and more preferably at least about 70% hydrophobic residues. A signal sequence serves to direct a protein containing such a
25 sequence to a lipid bilayer.

In certain embodiments, a TANGO 213 family member has the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:15, and the signal sequence is located at amino acids 1 to 20, 1 to 22, 1 to 22, or 1 to 23. In such embodiments of the invention, the domains and the mature protein resulting from cleavage of such signal peptides are also included herein. For
30 example, the cleavage of a signal sequence consisting of amino acids 1 to 22 of SEQ ID NO:15 (SEQ ID NO:26) results in a mature TANGO 213 protein corresponding to amino acids 23 to 371 of SEQ ID NO:12 (SEQ ID NO:32). The signal sequence is normally cleaved during processing of the mature protein..

In particular, BLASTP analysis using the amino acid sequence of TANGO 213
35 (SEQ ID NO:15) revealed sequence similarity between TANGO 213 and several steroid binding-proteins including 51% sequence identity between TANGO 213 and human

progesterone binding protein (GenBank Accession No. Y12711). Thus, the TANGO 213 proteins of the invention are likely to function similarly to steroid binding-proteins. Steroid binding protein activities include the ability to form protein-protein interactions with steroid hormones in signaling pathways and/or the ability to modulate intracellular ion levels, e.g., sodium and/or calcium levels. Accordingly, TANGO 213 proteins, nucleic acids and/or modulators can be used to treat steroid binding protein-associated disorders.

Various features of human and mouse TANGO 213 are summarized below.

HUMAN TANGO 213

A cDNA encoding human TANGO 213 was isolated by screening a human mesangial cell library. Human TANGO 213 includes a 1496 nucleotide cDNA (Figure 6; SEQ ID NO:14). It is noted that the nucleotide sequence depicted in SEQ ID NO:14 contains *Sal I* and *Not I* adapter sequences on the 5' and 3' ends, respectively ((GTCGACCCACGCGTGCG (SEQ ID NO:), and GGGCGGCCGC (SEQ ID NO:), respectively). Thus, it is to be understood that the nucleic acid molecules of the invention include not only those sequences with such adaptor sequences but also the nucleic acid sequences described herein lacking the adaptor sequences. The open reading frame of this cDNA, nucleotides 58 to 870 (SEQ ID NO:16), encodes a 271 amino acid secreted protein (Figure 6; SEQ ID NO:15).

The signal peptide prediction program SIGNALP (Nielsen et al. (1997) *Protein Engineering* 10:1-6) predicted that human TANGO 213 includes a 22 amino acid signal peptide (amino acids 1 to about amino acid 22 of SEQ ID NO:15)(SEQ ID NO:26) preceding the mature TANGO 213 protein (corresponding to about amino acid 23 to amino acid 271 of SEQ ID NO:15)(SEQ ID NO:32). Human TANGO 213 is predicted to have a molecular weight of approximately 29.5 kDa prior to cleavage of its signal peptide and a molecular weight of approximately 27.5 kDa subsequent to cleavage of its signal peptide.

A clone, EpDH156, which encodes human TANGO 213 was deposited with the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC, 10801 University Boulevard, Manassas, VA 20110-2209) on October 30, 1998 and assigned Accession Number 98965. This deposit will be maintained under the terms of the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure. This deposit was made merely as a convenience to those of skill in the art and is not an admission that a deposit is required under 35 U.S.C. §112.

Figure 14 depicts a hydropathy plot of human TANGO 213. Relatively hydrophobic residues are above the horizontal line, and relatively hydrophilic residues are below the horizontal line. As shown in the hydropathy plot, the hydrophobic region at the beginning

of the plot which corresponds to about amino acids 1 to 22 of SEQ ID NO:15 is the signal sequence of TANGO 213 (SEQ ID NO:26). The cysteine residues (cys) and potential N-glycosylation sites (Ngly) are indicated by short vertical lines just below the hydropathy trace.

5 Northern analysis of human TANGO 213 mRNA expression revealed expression at a very high level in testis and kidney. Expression at lower levels was also seen in all other tissues including adult heart, liver, brain, skeletal muscle, kidney, pancreas, spleen, thymus, prostate, ovary, small intestine, colon, and peripheral blood leukocytes. Low levels of expression were observed in lung.

10 The human gene for TANGO 213 was mapped on radiation hybrid panels to the long arm of chromosome 17, in the region p13.3. Flanking markers for this region are WI-5436 and WI-6584. The MDCR (Miller-Dieker syndrome), PEDF (pigment epithelium derived factor), and PFN1(profilin 1) genes also map to this region of the human chromosome. This region is syntenic to mouse chromosome 11, locus 46(g). The ti (tipsy)
15 loci also maps to this region of the mouse chromosome. The pfn1 (profilin 1), htt (5-hydroxytryptamine (serotonin) transporter), acrb (acetylcholine receptor beta) genes also map to this region of the mouse chromosome.

Mouse and Rat TANGO 213

20 A mouse homolog of human TANGO 213 was identified. A cDNA encoding mouse TANGO 213 was identified by analyzing the sequences of clones present in a mouse testis cDNA library. This analysis led to the identification of a clone, jtmz213a01, encoding mouse TANGO 213. The murine TANGO 213 cDNA of this clone is 2154 nucleotides long (Figure 29; SEQ ID NO:62). It is noted that the nucleotide sequence depicted in SEQ
25 ID NO:62 contains a *Not I* adapter sequence on the 3' end (5' GGGCGGCCGC 3')(SEQ ID NO:), respectively). Thus, it is to be understood that the nucleic acid molecules of the invention include not only those sequences with such adaptor sequences but also the nucleic acid sequences described herein lacking the adaptor sequences. The open reading frame of this cDNA comprises nucleotides 41 to 616 of SEQ ID NO:62 (SEQ ID NO:64) and
30 encodes a protein comprising the 192 amino acid sequence protein depicted in Figure 29 (SEQ ID NO:63).

A rat homolog of human TANGO 213 was identified. A cDNA encoding rat TANGO 213 was identified by analyzing the sequences of clones present in a rat testis cDNA library. This analysis led to the identification of a clone encoding rat TANGO 213.
35 The rat TANGO 213 cDNA of this clone is 455 nucleotides long (Figure 33; SEQ ID NO:).

In situ tissue screening was performed on mouse adult and embryonic tissue to analyze for the expression of mouse TANGO 213 mRNA. The strongest expression was observed in the seminiferous tubules of the testes. Moderate or weak expression is observed in several other adult tissues including the liver, kidney, and placenta. A weak, ubiquitous signal was observed in brain, heart, liver, kidney, adrenal gland, and the spleen. A signal was observed in the ovaries. A ubiquitous signal was seen in the labyrinth zone and slightly higher signal in the zone of giant cells. No signal was detected in the following tissues: spinal cord, eye and harderian gland, submandibular gland, white fat, brown fat, stomach, lung, colon, small intestine, thymus, lymph node, pancreas, skeletal muscle, and bladder. Embryonic expression is negligible. A weak signal was observed in the developing liver and CNS. The signal in the CNS was near background levels. Specifically, at E13.5, a weak, ubiquitous signal observed in the liver. At E14.5 and E15.5, a weak, ubiquitous signal was observed in the liver, brain, and spinal cord. At E16.5, E18.5 and P1.5, the signal in liver and CNS was even less pronounced and was almost at background levels.

Library array expression studies were carried out as described above for mouse TANGO 197. Strong expression was detected in the choroid plexus 12.5 day whole mouse embryo, TM4 (Sertoli cells), from testis, esophagus, and kidney fibrosis library. Weak expression was detected in LPS-stimulated osteoblast tissue, 10.5 day whole mouse embryo, and in 11.5 day whole mouse embryo. No expression was detected in differential 3T3, 10.5 day mouse fetus, mouse kidney fibrosis model nephrotoxic serum (NTS), LPS-stimulated heart, LPS-stimulated osteoblasts, lung, mouse insulinoma (Nit-1), mouse normal/hyperplastic islets (pancreas), normal spleen, 11.5 day mouse, LPS-stimulated lung, Lung, LPS-stimulated osteoblasts, BL6 Lung, day 15, 3 hour inflammation model, BDL Day 10 (balb C liver), hypertropic heart, LPS-stimulated lung, LPS-stimulated kidney, LPS-stimulated lymph node, Balb C liver (bile duct ligation d2), mc/9 mast cells, 13.5 day mouse, LPS-stimulated anchored heart, normal thymus, Th2-ovarian-Tg, Balb C liver (bile duct ligation d2), mc/9 mast cells, normal heart, brain polysome (MPB), LPS-stimulated anchored liver, brain (EAE d10 model), th1-ovarian-Tg, heart, hypothalamus, lone term bone, marrow cells, LPS-stimulated lung, megakaryocyte, LPS-stimulated spleen, hyphae-stimulated long term bone marrow, lung, angiogenic pancreatic islets, Th2, brain, LPS-stimulated thymus, LPS-stimulated microglial cells, testes, tumor pancreatic islets, LPS-stimulated brain, LPS-stimulated alveolar macrophage cell line, mouse lung bleomycin model d7, pregnant uterus, and hypothalamus nuclei.

Human and murine TANGO 213 sequences exhibit considerable similarity at the protein, nucleic acid, and open reading frame levels. An alignment (made using the ALIGN

software {Myers and Miller (1989) CABIOS, ver. 2.0}; BLOSUM 62 scoring matrix; gap penalties -12/-4), reveals a protein identity of 64.6% . The human and murine TANGO 213 full length cDNAs are 68.8% identical, as assessed using the same software and parameters as indicated (without the BLOSUM 62 scoring matrix). In the respective ORFs, calculated
5 in the same fashion as the full length cDNAs, human and murine TANGO 213 are 77.1% identical.

Uses of TANGO 213 Nucleic Acids, Polypeptides, and Modulators Thereof

The TANGO 213 proteins and nucleic acid molecules of the invention have at least
10 one "TANGO 213 activity" (also referred to herein as "TANGO 213 biological activity"). TANGO 213 activity refers to an activity exerted by a TANGO 213 protein or nucleic acid molecule on a TANGO 213 responsive cell *in vivo* or *in vitro*. Such TANGO 213 activities include at least one or more of the following activities: 1) interaction of a TANGO 213 protein with a TANGO 213-target molecule; 2) activation of a TANGO 213 target
15 molecule; 3) modulation of cellular proliferation; 4) modulation of cellular differentiation; or 5) modulation of a signaling pathway. Thus, the TANGO 213 proteins, nucleic acids and/or modulators can be used for the treatment of a disorder characterized by aberrant TANGO 213 expression and/or an aberrant TANGO 213 activity, such as proliferative and/or differentiative disorders.

20 As TANGO 213 is expressed in the kidney, the TANGO 213 polypeptides, nucleic acids and/or modulators thereof can be used to modulate the function, morphology, proliferation and/or differentiation of cells in the tissues in which it is expressed. Such molecules can also be used to treat disorders associated with abnormal or aberrant metabolism or function of cells in the tissues in which it is expressed. Such can be used to
25 treat or modulate renal (kidney) disorders, such as glomerular diseases (e.g., acute and chronic glomerulonephritis, rapidly progressive glomerulonephritis, nephrotic syndrome, focal proliferative glomerulonephritis, glomerular lesions associated with systemic disease, such as systemic lupus erythematosus, Goodpasture's syndrome, multiple myeloma, diabetes, neoplasia, sickle cell disease, and chronic inflammatory diseases), tubular diseases
30 (e.g., acute tubular necrosis and acute renal failure, polycystic renal disease, medullary sponge kidney, medullary cystic disease, nephrogenic diabetes, and renal tubular acidosis), tubulointerstitial diseases (e.g., pyelonephritis, drug and toxin induced tubulointerstitial nephritis, hypercalcemic nephropathy, and hypokalemic nephropathy) acute and rapidly progressive renal failure, chronic renal failure, nephrolithiasis, vascular diseases (e.g.,
35 hypertension and nephrosclerosis, microangiopathic hemolytic anemia, atheroembolic renal

disease, diffuse cortical necrosis, and renal infarcts), or tumors (e.g., renal cell carcinoma and nephroblastoma).

Furthermore, as TANGO 213 is expressed in the testis, the TANGO 213 polypeptides, nucleic acids and/or modulators thereof can be used to modulate the function, morphology, proliferation and/or differentiation of cells in the tissues in which it is expressed. For example, such molecules can be used to treat or modulate disorders associated with the testis including, without limitation, the Klinefelter syndrome (both the classic and mosaic forms), XX male syndrome, varicocele, germinal cell aplasia (the Sertoli cell-only syndrome), idiopathic azoospermia or severe oligospermia, crpytochidism, and immotile cilia syndrome, or testicular cancer (primary germ cell tumors of the testis). In another example, TANGO 213 polypeptides, nucleic acids, or modulators thereof, can be used to treat testicular disorders, such as unilateral testicular enlargement (e.g., nontuberculous, granulomatous orchitis), inflammatory diseases resulting in testicular dysfunction (e.g., gonorrhea and mumps), and tumors (e.g., germ cell tumors, interstitial cell tumors, androblastoma, testicular lymphoma and adenomatoid tumors).

TANGO 224

In another aspect, the present invention is based on the discovery of cDNA molecules which encode a novel family of proteins referred to herein as TANGO 224 proteins.

The TANGO 224 proteins and nucleic acid molecules comprise a family of molecules having certain conserved structural and functional features. As used herein, the term "family" is intended to mean two or more proteins or nucleic acid molecules having a common structural domain and having sufficient amino acid or nucleotide sequence identity as defined herein. Family members can be from either the same or different species. For example, a family can comprises two or more proteins of human origin, or can comprise one or more proteins of human origin and one or more of non-human origin. Members of the same family may also have common structural domains.

For example, the TANGO 224 proteins of the invention include a thrombospondin type I (TSP-I) domain. The TSP-I domain is involved in the binding to both soluble and matrix macromolecules (e.g., sulfated glycoconjugates). As used herein, a thrombospondin type I (TSP-I) domain refers to an amino acid sequence of about 30 to about 60, preferably about 35 to 55, 40 to 50, and more preferably about 45 amino acids in length. TANGO 224 has such a signature pattern at about amino acids 42 to 81 of SEQ ID NO:18 (SEQ ID NO:117).

Conserved amino acid motifs, referred to herein as "consensus patterns" or "signature patterns", can be used to identify TANGO 224 family members having a TSP-I domain. For example, the following signature pattern can be used to identify TANGO 224 family members: W - S - x - C - [SD] - x (2) - C - x (2) - G - x (3, 5) - R - x (7, 15) - C - x (9, 11) - C - x (4, 5) - C (SEQ ID NO:52). The signature patterns or consensus patterns described herein are described according to the following designations: all amino acids are indicated according to their universal single letter designation; "x" designates any amino acid; x(n) designates "n" number of amino acids, e.g., x (2) designates any two amino acids, e.g., x (3, 5) designates any three to five amino acids; and, amino acids in brackets indicates any one of the amino acids within the brackets, e.g., [SD] indicates any of one of either S (serine) or D (aspartic acid). A TSP-I domain of TANGO 224 extends, for example, from about amino acids 37 to 81 of SEQ ID NO:18 (SEQ ID NO:118).

A TSP-I domain further contains at least about 4 to 9, preferably, 5 to 8, more preferably 6 conserved cysteine residues. By alignment of a TANGO 224 family member with a TSP-I consensus sequence, conserved cysteine residues can be found. For example, as shown in Figure 24, there is a first cysteine residue in the TSP-I consensus sequence that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 45 of TANGO 224 (SEQ ID NO:18); there is a second cysteine residue in the TSP-I consensus sequence that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 49 of TANGO 224 (SEQ ID NO:18); there is a third cysteine residue in the TSP-I consensus sequence that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 60 of TANGO 224 (SEQ ID NO:18); there is a fourth cysteine residue in the TSP-I consensus sequence that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 66 of TANGO 224 (SEQ ID NO:18); there is a fifth cysteine residue in the TSP-I consensus sequence that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 76 of TANGO 224 (SEQ ID NO:18); and/or there is a sixth cysteine residue in the TSP-I consensus sequence that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 81 of TANGO 2m24 (SEQ ID NO:18). The TSP-I consensus sequence is available from the HMMer version 2.0 software as Accession Number PF00090. Software for HMM-based profiles is available from <http://www.csc.ucsc.edu/research/compbio/sam.html> and from <http://genome.wustl.edu/eddy/hmmer.html>.

For example, the TANGO 224 proteins of the invention include a Furin-like cysteine rich domain (Accession number:PF00757). The consensus sequence for the Furin-like cysteine rich domain is: C-Xaa(3)-C-Xaa-G-G-Xaa(n)-C-Xaa(5)-D-G, wherein C is cysteine, Xaa is any amino acid, G is glycine, n is about 5 to 15, preferably 6 to 14, more preferably about 7 to 12, and D is aspartic acid. As used herein, a Furin-like cysteine rich domain refers to an amino acid sequence of about 80 to 160, preferably of about 100 to 150,

and more preferably about 110 to 130, amino acids in length. Human TANGO 224, form 2 has such a signature pattern at about amino acids 707-829 of SEQ ID NO:66 (SEQ ID NO:).

Also included within the scope of the present invention are TANGO 224 proteins having a signal sequence. As used herein, a signal sequence includes a peptide of at least
5 about 15 or 20 amino acid residues in length which occurs at the N-terminus of secretory and membrane-bound proteins and which contains at least about 70% hydrophobic amino acid residues such as alanine, leucine, isoleucine, phenylalanine, proline, tyrosine, tryptophan, or valine. In a preferred embodiment, a signal sequence contains at least about
10 about 60-80%, more preferably 65-75%, and more preferably at least about 70% hydrophobic residues. A signal sequence serves to direct a protein containing such a sequence to a lipid bilayer.

In certain embodiments, a TANGO 224 family member has the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:18, and the signal sequence is located at amino acids 1 to 26, 1 to
15 27, 1 to 28, 1 to 29 or 1 to 30. In such embodiments of the invention, the domains and the mature protein resulting from cleavage of such signal peptides are also included herein. For example, the cleavage of a signal sequence consisting of amino acids 1 to 28 of SEQ ID NO:18 (SEQ ID NO:27) results in a mature TANGO 224 protein corresponding to amino acids 29 to 458 of SEQ ID NO:18 (SEQ ID NO:33). The signal sequence is normally
20 cleaved during processing of the mature protein.

A cDNA encoding human TANGO 224 was identified by screening a human fetal spleen library. A clone comprising human TANGO 224 was selected for complete sequencing. In one embodiment, TANGO 224 is referred to as TANGO 224, form 1. Human TANGO 224, form 1 comprises a 2689 nucleotide cDNA (Figure 7; SEQ ID
25 NO:17). The open reading frame of this TANGO 224, form 1 cDNA clone comprises nucleotides 1 to 1440 (SEQ ID NO:19), and encodes a secreted protein comprising the 480 amino acid sequence depicted in Figure 7 (SEQ ID NO:18).

Another cDNA clone comprising human TANGO 224, was also obtained. TANGO 224 clone includes a 2691 nucleotide cDNA (Figure 30; SEQ ID NO:65), and encodes a
30 human TANGO 224 and is referred to as human TANGO 224, form 2. The open reading frame of human TANGO 224, form 2 cDNA clone comprises nucleotides 67 to 2690 (SEQ ID NO:67), and encodes a secreted protein comprising the 874 amino acid sequence depicted in Figure 30 (SEQ ID NO:66).

The signal peptide prediction program SIGNALP (Nielsen et al. (1997) *Protein*
35 *Engineering* 10:1-6) predicted that human TANGO 224 form 1 includes an 28 amino acid signal peptide (amino acids 1 to about amino acid 28 of SEQ ID NO:18) (SEQ ID NO:27)

preceding the mature TANGO 224 protein (corresponding to about amino acid 29 to amino acid 458 of SEQ ID NO:18)(SEQ ID NO:33). Human TANGO 224 is predicted to have a molecular weight of approximately 50 kDa prior to cleavage of its signal peptide and a molecular weight of approximately 47 kDa subsequent to cleavage of its signal peptide.

5 The signal peptide prediction program SIGNALP (Nielsen et al. (1997) *Protein Engineering* 10:1-6) predicted that human TANGO 224 form 2 includes an 28 amino acid signal peptide (amino acids 1 to about amino acid 28 of SEQ ID NO:18)(SEQ ID NO:27) preceding the mature TANGO 224, form 2 protein (corresponding to about amino acid 29 to amino acid 874 of SEQ ID NO:18)(SEQ ID NO:). Human TANGO 224 is predicted to
10 have a molecular weight of approximately 131 kDa prior to cleavage of its signal peptide and a molecular weight of approximately 127 kDa subsequent to cleavage of its signal peptide.

Human TANGO 224, form 1 includes a TSP-I domain from about amino acids 37 to 81 of SEQ ID NO:18 (SEQ ID NO:118).

15 Human TANGO 224, form 2 includes a TSP-I domain from about amino acids 37 to 81 of SEQ ID NO:18 (SEQ ID NO:118). Human TANGO 224, form 2 has a Furin-like cysteine rich domain from amino acids 707 to 829 of SEQ ID NO:66 (SEQ ID NO:).

A clone, EpDH210, which encodes human TANGO 224, form 1 was deposited with the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC, 10801 University Boulevard, Manassas, VA
20 20110-2209) on October 30, 1998 and was assigned Accession Number 98966. This deposit will be maintained under the terms of the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure. This deposit was made merely as a convenience to those of skill in the art and is not an admission that a deposit is required under 35 U.S.C. §112.

25 Figure 15 depicts a hydropathy plot of human TANGO 224. Relatively hydrophobic residues are above the horizontal line, and relatively hydrophilic residues are below the horizontal line. As shown in the hydropathy plot, the hydrophobic region at the beginning of the plot which corresponds to about amino acids 1 to 28 of SEQ ID NO:18 is the signal sequence of TANGO 224 (SEQ ID NO:27). The cysteine residues (cys) and potential N-
30 glycosylation sites (Ngly) are indicated by short vertical lines just below the hydropathy trace.

Northern analysis of human TANGO 224 mRNA expression using TANGO 224 form 2 nucleotide sequence as a probe revealed expression of TANGO 224 mRNA in the spleen, prostate, ovary and colon. Only weak expression was detected in testis, small
35 intestine, and peripheral blood leukocytes. No expression was detected in the thymus.

Library Array Expression studies were performed as described above for the mouse TANGO 128 gene, except that human tissues were tested. Strong expression was obtained in the pituitary and fetal spleen. Only weak expression was detected in the primary osteoblasts, umbilical smooth muscle treated and the bronchial smooth muscle. No

5 expression was detected in kidney, testes, Prostate, HMC-1 control (mast cell line), fetal dorsal spinal cord, human colon to liver metastasis, erythroblasts from CD34+ Blood, human spinal cord (ION 3), HUVEC TGF-B (h. umbilical endothelia), hUVEC (h. umbilical endothelia), human spinal cord (ION 3), brain K563 (red blood cell line), uterus, Hep-G2 (human insulinoma), human normal colon, human colon to liver metastasis, skin,

10 HUVEC controls (umbilical endothelial cells), human colon (inflammatory bowel disease), melanoma (G361 cell line), adult bone marrow CD34+ cells, HPK, human lung, mammary gland, normal breast epithelium, colon to liver metastasis (CHT128), normal breast, bone marrow (CD34+), WI38 (H. embryonic Lung), Th1 cells, HUVEC untreated (umbilical endothelium), liver, spleen, normal human ovarian epithelia, colon to liver metastasis

15 (CHT133), PTH-treated osteoblasts, ovarian ascites, lung squamous cell, carcinoma (MDA 261), Th2 cells, colon (WUM 23), thymus, heart, small intestine, normal megakaryocytes, colon carcinoma (NDR109), lung adenocarcinoma (PIT245), IBD Colon (WUM6), brain-subcortical white matter (ION2), prostate tumor xenograft A12, trigeminal ganglia 9 week fetus, thymus, retinal pigmentosa epithelia, bone marrow, colon carcinoma (NDR103), lung

20 squamous cell carcinoma (PIT299), cervical cancer, normal prostate, Prostate tumor xenograft K10, Lumbrosacral spinal cord, A549 control, stomach, retina, Th-1 induced T cell, colon carcinoma (NDR82), d8 dendritic cells, spinal cord, ovarian epithelial tumor, prostate cancer to liver metastasis JHH3, lumbrosacral dorsal root ganglia, salivary gland, skeletal muscle, HMC-1 (human mast cell line), Th-2 induced T-cell, colon carcinoma

25 (NDR097), H6. megakaryocytes, H7. dorsal root ganglia (ION 6, 7, 8), H8. HUVEC L-NAME (umbilical endothelia), H9. prostate cancer to liver metastasis JHH4, H10. Dorsal root ganglia (ION 6, 7, 8),

Use of TANGO 224 Nucleic Acids, Polypeptides, and Modulators Thereof

30 As discussed above, the TSP-I domain of TANGO 224 is involved in matrix interactions. Thus, the TANGO 224 proteins of the invention likely play a role in various matrix interactions, e.g., matrix binding. Thus, a TANGO 224 activity is at least one or more of the following activities: 1) regulation of extracellular matrix structuring; 2) modulation of cellular adhesion, either *in vitro* or *in vivo*; 3) regulation of cell trafficking

35 and/or migration. Accordingly, the TANGO 224 proteins, nucleic acid molecules and/or

modulators can be used to modulate cellular interactions such as cell-cell and/or cell-matrix interactions and thus, to treat disorders associated with abnormal cellular interactions.

As TANGO 224 was originally found in a fetal spleen library, TANGO 228 nucleic acids, proteins, and modulators thereof can be used to modulate the proliferation, differentiation, and/or function of cells that form the spleen, e.g., cells of the splenic connective tissue, e.g., splenic smooth muscle cells and/or endothelial cells of the splenic blood vessels. TANGO 224 nucleic acids, proteins, and modulators thereof can also be used to modulate the proliferation, differentiation, and/or function of cells that are processed, e.g., regenerated or phagocytized within the spleen, e.g., erythrocytes and/or B and T lymphocytes and macrophages. Thus, TANGO 224 nucleic acids, proteins, and modulators thereof can be used to treat spleen, e.g., the fetal spleen, associated diseases and disorders. Examples of splenic diseases and disorders include e.g., splenic lymphoma and/or splenomegaly, and/or phagocytotic disorders, e.g., those inhibiting macrophage engulfment of bacteria and viruses in the bloodstream.

TANGO 239

In another aspect, the present invention is based on the discovery of cDNA molecules which encode a novel family of proteins referred to herein as TANGO 239 proteins.

The TANGO 239 proteins and nucleic acid molecules comprise a family of molecules having certain conserved structural and functional features. As used herein, the term "family" is intended to mean two or more proteins or nucleic acid molecules having a common structural domain and having sufficient amino acid or nucleotide sequence identity as defined herein. Family members can be from either the same or different species. For example, a family can comprises two or more proteins of human origin, or can comprise one or more proteins of human origin and one or more of non-human origin. Members of the same family may also have common structural domains.

For example, the present invention features TANGO 239 proteins having at least one, preferably two or three, MAM domain(s). The MAM domain is associated with various adhesive proteins and as such is likely to have adhesive function. Within MAM domains are conserved cysteine residues which play a role in the adhesion of a MAM domain to other proteins. As used herein, a MAM domain refers to an amino acid sequence of about 130 to about 170, preferably about 140 to 165, and more preferably about 145, 146 to 159 or 160 amino acids in length.

Conserved amino acid motifs, referred to herein as "consensus patterns" or "signature patterns", can be used to identify TANGO 239 family members having a MAM

domain. For example, the following signature pattern can be used to identify TANGO 239 family members: G - x - [LIVMFY] (2) - x (3) - [STA] - x (10, 11) - [LV] - x (4,6) - [LIVMF] - x (6, 7) - C - [LIVM] - x (3) - [LIVMFY] - x (3, 4) - [GSC] (SEQ ID NO:51).

- The signature patterns or consensus patterns described herein are described according to the following designations: all amino acids are indicated according to their universal single letter designation; "x" designates any amino acid; x(n) designates "n" number of amino acids, e.g., x (2) designates any two amino acids, e.g., x (6, 7) designates any six to seven amino acids; and, amino acids in brackets indicates any one of the amino acids within the brackets, e.g., [STA] indicates any of one of either S (serine), T (threonine) or A (alanine).
- 10 TANGO 239 has such a signature pattern at about amino acids 50 to 90 (SEQ ID NO:119), amino acids 215 to 256 (SEQ ID NO:120) and/or amino acids 380 to 420 of SEQ ID NO:21 (SEQ ID NO:121).

- A MAM domain further contains at least about 2 to 6, preferably, 3 to 5, more preferably 4 conserved cysteine residues. By alignment of a TANGO 239 family member with a MAM consensus sequence, conserved cysteine residues can be found. For example,
- 15 as shown in Figure 25, there is a first cysteine residue in the MAM consensus sequence that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 26 of the first MAM domain of TANGO 239 (SEQ ID NO:21); there is a second cysteine residue in the MAM consensus sequence that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 33 of TANGO 239 (SEQ ID NO:21);
- 20 there is a third cysteine residue in the MAM consensus sequence that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 80 of TANGO 239 (SEQ ID NO:21); and/or there is a fourth cysteine residue in the MAM consensus sequence that corresponds to a cysteine residue at amino acid 167 of TANGO 239 (SEQ ID NO:21). In addition, conserved cysteine residues can be found at amino acids 170, 178, 246 and/or 327 of the second MAM domain of
- 25 TANGO 239 (SEQ ID NO:21); and at amino acids 342, 349, 411 and/or 496 of the third MAM domain of TANGO 239 (SEQ ID NO:21). The MAM consensus sequence is available from the HMMer version 2.0 software as Accession Number PF00629. Software for HMM-based profiles is available from <http://www.csc.ucsc.edu/research/compbio/sam.html> and from <http://genome.wustl.edu/eddy/hmmer.html>. A MAM domain of
- 30 TANGO 239 extends, for example, from about amino acids 26 to 169 of SEQ ID NO:21 (SEQ ID NO:122), from about amino acids 170 to 329 of SEQ ID NO:21 (SEQ ID NO:123), from about amino acids 342 to 498 of SEQ ID NO:21 (SEQ ID NO:124), and/or from about amino acids 509 to 666 of SEQ ID NO:21 (SEQ ID NO:).

- Also included within the scope of the present invention are TANGO 239 proteins
- 35 having a signal sequence. As used herein, a signal sequence includes a peptide of at least about 15 or 20 acid residues in length which occurs at the N-terminus of secretory and

membrane-bound proteins and which contains at least about 70% hydrophobic amino acid residues such as alanine, leucine, isoleucine, phenylalanine, proline, tyrosine, tryptophan, or valine. In a preferred embodiment, a signal sequence contains at least about 15 to 40 amino acid residues, preferably about 15-30 amino acid residues, and has at least about 60-80%,
5 more preferably 65-75%, and more preferably at least about 70% hydrophobic residues. A signal sequence serves to direct a protein containing such a sequence to a lipid bilayer.

In certain embodiments, a TANGO 239 family member has the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:21, and the signal sequence is located at amino acids 1 to 16, 1 to 17, 1 to 18, 1 to 19, and 1 to 20. In such embodiments of the invention, the domains and the
10 mature protein resulting from cleavage of such signal peptides are also included herein. For example, the cleavage of a signal sequence consisting of amino acids 1 to 18 of SEQ ID NO:21 (SEQ ID NO:) results in a mature TANGO 239 protein corresponding to amino acids 19 to 686 of SEQ ID NO:2 (SEQ ID NO:). The signal sequence is normally cleaved during processing of the mature protein.

15 Various features of human TANGO 239, form 1 and form 2, and mouse TANGO are summarized below.

HUMAN TANGO 239 Form 1

A cDNA encoding human TANGO 239 was identified by screening an IL-1 β
20 stimulated astrocyte library. A clone, comprising human TANGO 239, was selected for complete sequencing based on its ability to direct the secretion of a protein of approximately 60 kDa in ³⁵-S labeled supernatants of 293T cells.

TANGO 239 includes a 3413 nucleotide cDNA (Figure 8; SEQ ID NO:20). In one embodiment, TANGO 239 is referred to as TANGO 239, form 1. The open reading frame
25 of this TANGO 239, form 1 cDNA comprises nucleotides 344 to 1990 (SEQ ID NO:22), and encodes a secreted protein comprising the 550 amino acid depicted in Figure 8 (SEQ ID NO:21). It is noted that the nucleotide sequence depicted in SEQ ID NO:20 contains *Sal I* and *Not I* adapter sequences on the 5' and 3' ends, respectively ((GTCGACCCACGCGTCC (SEQ ID NO:), and GGGCGGCCGC (SEQ ID NO:), respectively) Thus, it is to be
30 understood that the nucleic acid molecules of the invention include not only those sequences with such adaptor sequences but also the nucleic acid sequences described herein lacking the adaptor sequences.

The signal peptide prediction program SIGNALP (Nielsen et al. (1997) *Protein Engineering* 10:1-6) predicted that human TANGO 239, form 1 includes an 18 amino acid
35 signal peptide (amino acids 1 to about amino acid 18 of SEQ ID NO:21)(SEQ ID NO:28) preceding the mature TANGO 239, form 1 protein (corresponding to about amino acid 19 to

amino acid 550 of SEQ ID NO:21)(SEQ ID NO:34). Human TANGO 239, form 1 is predicted to have a molecular weight of approximately 61.5 kDa prior to cleavage of its signal peptide and a molecular weight of approximately 59.5 kDa subsequent to cleavage of its signal peptide.

- 5 Human TANGO 239, form 1 includes three MAM domains from about amino acids 24 to 169 (SEQ ID NO:122), amino acids 170 to 329 (SEQ ID NO:123), and amino acids 340 to 496 of SEQ ID NO:21 (SEQ ID NO:124).

Figure 16 depicts a hydropathy plot of human TANGO 239, form 1. Relatively hydrophobic residues are above the horizontal line, and relatively hydrophilic residues are below the horizontal line. As shown in the hydropathy plot, the hydrophobic region at the beginning of the plot which corresponds to about amino acids 1 to 18 of SEQ ID NO:21 is the signal sequence of TANGO 239, form 1 (SEQ ID NO:28). The cysteine residues (cys) and potential N-glycosylation sites (Ngly) are indicated by short vertical lines just below the hydropathy trace.

- 15 A clone, EpDH233, which encodes human TANGO 239 form 1 was deposited as part of EpDHMix1 with the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC, 10801 University Boulevard, Manassas, VA 20110-2209) on November 20, 1998 which was assigned Accession Number 98999. This deposit will be maintained under the terms of the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure. This deposit was made merely as a convenience to those of skill in the art and is not an admission that a deposit is required under 35 U.S.C. §112.

HUMAN TANGO 239 Form 2

- A cDNA encoding full length human TANGO 239 was identified by screening an IL-1 β stimulated astrocyte library. A clone comprising human TANGO 239 was selected for complete sequencing based on its ability to direct the secretion of a protein of approximately 102.9 kDa in ³⁵-S labeled supernatants of 293T cells.

- Human TANGO 239 includes a 3413 nucleotide cDNA (Figure 31; SEQ ID NO:68). In one embodiment, human TANGO 239 is referred to as TANGO 239, form 2. The open reading frame of this TANGO 239, form 2 cDNA comprises nucleotides 344 to 2395 (SEQ ID NO:70), and encodes a secreted protein comprising the 686 amino acid depicted in Figure 31 (SEQ ID NO:69). It is noted that the nucleotide sequence depicted in SEQ ID NO:70 contains *Sal I* adaptor sequences and adapter sequences on the 5' and 3' ends, respectively ((GTCGACCCACGCGTCCC (SEQ ID NO:), and GGGGGG (SEQ ID NO:), respectively). Thus, it is to be understood that the nucleic acid molecules of the

invention include not only those sequences with such adaptor sequences but also the nucleic acid sequences described herein lacking the adaptor sequences.

The signal peptide prediction program SIGNALP (Nielsen et al. (1997) *Protein Engineering* 10:1-6) predicted that human TANGO 239, form 2 includes an 18 amino acid signal peptide (amino acids 1 to about amino acid 18 of SEQ ID NO:)(SEQ ID NO:125) preceding the mature TANGO 239, form 2 protein (corresponding to about amino acid 19 to amino acid 686 of SEQ ID NO:126)(SEQ ID NO:126). Human TANGO 239, form 2 is predicted to have a molecular weight of approximately 102.9 kDa prior to cleavage of its signal peptide and a molecular weight of approximately 100 kDa subsequent to cleavage of its signal peptide.

Human TANGO 239, form 2 includes four MAM domains from about amino acids 26 to 169 of SEQ ID NO:126. (SEQ ID NO:122), amino acids 170 to 329 of SEQ ID NO:126 (SEQ ID NO:123), amino acids 340 to 496 of SEQ ID NO:126 (SEQ ID NO:124), and amino acids 509 to 666 of SEQ ID NO:126. (SEQ ID NO:).

Northern analysis of human TANGO 239 mRNA expression using TANGO 239, form 2 nucleotide sequence as a probe revealed that TANGO 239 mRNA was highly expressed in skeletal muscle, placenta, and peripheral blood leukocytes. Expression was moderate in colon, thymus, kidney. Weak expression was observed in the liver, small intestine, and lung. No expression was detected in the brain, heart and spleen.

Mouse TANGO 239

A mouse homologue of human TANGO 239 was identified. Mouse TANGO 239 was identified by analyzing the sequences of clones present in a mouse inflammation model cDNA library. This analysis led to the identification of a clone, jymua038a02, encoding full-length mouse TANGO 239. The murine TANGO 239 cDNA of this clone is 1029 nucleotides long (Figure 32; SEQ ID NO:71). It is noted that the nucleotide sequence depicted in SEQ ID NO:71 contains *Sal I* and *Not I* adapter sequences on the 5' and 3' ends, respectively ((GTCGACCCACGCGTCCC (SEQ ID NO:), and GGGCGGCCGC (SEQ ID NO:), respectively). Thus, it is to be understood that the nucleic acid molecules of the invention include not only those sequences with such adaptor sequences but also the nucleic acid sequences described herein lacking the adaptor sequences. The open reading frame of this cDNA, nucleotides 209 to 370 of SEQ ID NO:71 (SEQ ID NO:73), encodes a 54 amino acid secreted protein (Figure 32; SEQ ID NO:72).

In situ tissue screening was performed on mouse adult and embryonic tissue to analyze for the expression of mouse TANGO 239 mRNA. In summary, expression in the adult mouse appeared to be restricted to bone structures. The in-situ screen only detected expression in developing bones of embryos starting at E14.5. Expression was weak but was clearly detectable in the skull, scapula, sternum, vertebrae, incisor teeth, and femur. Adult tissues did not include bone or cartilage. Photoemulsion technique will be necessary to determine whether expression is from osteoblasts, osteoclasts, or chondrocytes. No signal was detected in the following tissues: brain (included a sense control), spinal cord, eye and harderian gland, submandibular gland, white fat, brown fat, stomach, heart (included a sense control), lung (included a sense control), liver (included a sense control), kidney (included a sense control), adrenal gland, colon, small intestine, thymus, lymph node, spleen, pancreas (included a sense control), skeletal muscle, bladder, testes, ovaries, placenta (included a sense control). In the case of embryonic expression, the following results were obtained: At E13.5, no signal was observed. At E14.5, a weak signal was observed outlining the vertebrae, incisors, and femur (included a sense control). At E15.5, most developing bone structures appeared to be outlined including the skull, Meckel's cartilage, scapula, vertebrae, primordium of basisphenoid bone, and femur (included a sense control). At E16.5 and E18.5, most developing bone structures had a weak signal in a pattern which outline the bone structures (included a sense control). At P1.5, a weak signal was associated with many developing bone structures. The most noticeable structures included the skull, basisphenoid bone, vertebrae, Meckel's cartilage and/or incisor teeth of the upper and lower jaw, sternum, scapula, and femur (included a sense control).

Human and murine TANGO 239 sequences exhibit considerable similarity at the protein, nucleic acid, and open reading frame levels. An alignment (made using the ALIGN software {Myers and Miller (1989) CABIOS, ver. 2.0}; BLOSUM 62 scoring matrix; gap penalties -12/-4), reveals a protein identity of 79.6% . The human and murine TANGO 239 full length cDNAs are 58.8% identical, as assessed using the same software and parameters as indicated (without the BLOSUM 62 scoring matrix). In the respective ORFs, calculated in the same fashion as the full length cDNAs, human and murine TANGO 239 are 77.2% identical.

Uses of TANGO 239 Nucleic Acids, Polypeptides, and Modulators Thereof

As discussed above, the MAM domains of human TANGO 239 have adhesion function. Thus, the human TANGO 239 proteins of the invention likely play a role in cellular adhesion and therefore, human TANGO 239 proteins, nucleic acid molecules and/or modulators can be used to modulate cellular adhesion.

As human TANGO 239 was originally identified in an astrocyte library, human TANGO 239 nucleic acids, proteins, and modulators thereof can be used to modulate the proliferation, activation, development, differentiation, and/or function of glial cells *e.g.*, astrocytes. Human TANGO 239 nucleic acids, proteins and modulators thereof can be used
5 to treat glial cell-related disorders, *e.g.*, astrocytoma and glioblastoma

As TANGO 239 exhibits expression in the lung, TANGO 239 polypeptides, nucleic acids, or modulators thereof, can be used to treat pulmonary (lung) disorders, such as atelectasis, pulmonary congestion or edema, chronic obstructive airway disease (*e.g.*, emphysema, chronic bronchitis, bronchial asthma, and bronchiectasis), diffuse interstitial
10 diseases (*e.g.*, sarcoidosis, pneumoconiosis, hypersensitivity pneumonitis, Goodpasture's syndrome, idiopathic pulmonary hemosiderosis, pulmonary alveolar proteinosis, desquamative interstitial pneumonitis, chronic interstitial pneumonia, fibrosing alveolitis, hamman-rich syndrome, pulmonary eosinophilia, diffuse interstitial fibrosis, Wegener's granulomatosis, lymphomatoid granulomatosis, and lipid pneumonia), or tumors (*e.g.*,
15 bronchogenic carcinoma, bronchioloalveolar carcinoma, bronchial carcinoid, hamartoma, and mesenchymal tumors).

As TANGO 239 exhibits expression in the small intestine, TANGO 239 polypeptides, nucleic acids, or modulators thereof, can be used to treat intestinal disorders, such as ischemic bowel disease, infective enterocolitis, Crohn's disease, benign tumors,
20 malignant tumors (*e.g.*, argentaffinomas, lymphomas, adenocarcinomas, and sarcomas), malabsorption syndromes (*e.g.*, celiac disease, tropical sprue, Whipple's disease, and abetalipoproteinemia), obstructive lesions, hernias, intestinal adhesions, intussusception, or volvulus.

As TANGO 239 exhibits expression in the spleen, TANGO 239 nucleic acids,
25 proteins, and modulators thereof can be used to modulate the proliferation, differentiation, and/or function of cells that form the spleen, *e.g.*, cells of the splenic connective tissue, *e.g.*, splenic smooth muscle cells and/or endothelial cells of the splenic blood vessels. TANGO 239 nucleic acids, proteins, and modulators thereof can also be used to modulate the proliferation, differentiation, and/or function of cells that are processed, *e.g.*, regenerated or
30 phagocytized within the spleen, *e.g.*, erythrocytes and/or B and T lymphocytes and macrophages. Thus TANGO 239 nucleic acids, proteins, and modulators thereof can be used to treat spleen, *e.g.*, the fetal spleen, associated diseases and disorders. Examples of splenic diseases and disorders include *e.g.*, splenic lymphoma and/or splenomegaly, and/or phagocytotic disorders, *e.g.*, those inhibiting macrophage engulfment of bacteria and viruses
35 in the bloodstream.

As TANGO 239 exhibits expression in the heart, TANGO 239 nucleic acids, proteins, and modulators thereof can be used to treat heart disorders, e.g., ischemic heart disease, atherosclerosis, hypertension, angina pectoris, Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy, and congenital heart disease.

- 5 As TANGO 239 exhibits expression in bone structures, TANGO 239 nucleic acids, proteins, and modulators thereof can be used to modulate the proliferation, differentiation, and/or function of bone and cartilage cells, e.g., chondrocytes and osteoblasts, and to treat bone and/or cartilage associated diseases or disorders. Examples of bone and/or cartilage diseases and disorders include bone and/or cartilage injury due to for example, trauma (e.g.,
10 bone breakage, cartilage tearing), degeneration (e.g., osteoporosis), degeneration of joints, e.g., arthritis, e.g., osteoarthritis, and bone wearing.

Other TANGO 239 activities include at least one or more of the following activities:

- 1) modulation of cellular adhesion, either *in vitro* or *in vivo*; 2) regulation of cell trafficking and/or migration; 3) modulation of cellular proliferation; 4) modulation of inflammation;
15 and/or 5) modulation of a signaling pathway. Thus, TANGO 239 proteins, nucleic acids and/or modulators can be used to treat a disorder characterized by aberrant TANGO 239 expression and/or an aberrant TANGO 239 activity.

Tables 1 and 2 below provide summaries of sequence information for the human TANGO molecules described herein.

- 20 Tables 3 and 4 below provide summaries of sequence information for the mouse TANGO molecules described herein.

TABLE 1: Summary of Human TANGO 128, TANGO 140, TANGO 197, TANGO 212, TANGO 213, TANGO 224, and TANGO 239 Nucleotide Sequence Information.

25	Gene	cDNA	ORF	Protein	Figure	Accession No.
	TANGO 128	SEQ ID NO:1	SEQ ID NO:3	SEQ ID NO:2	Fig. 1	ATCC 98999
	TANGO 140-1	SEQ ID NO:4	SEQ ID NO:38	SEQ ID NO:5	Fig. 2	ATCC 98999
	TANGO 140-2	SEQ ID NO:6	SEQ ID NO:39	SEQ ID NO:7	Fig. 3	ATCC 98999
30	TANGO 197	SEQ ID NO:8	SEQ ID NO:10	SEQ ID NO:9	Fig. 4	ATCC 98999
	TANGO 212	SEQ ID NO:11	SEQ ID NO:13	SEQ ID NO:12	Fig. 5	ATCC 202171
	TANGO 213	SEQ ID NO:14	SEQ ID NO:16	SEQ ID NO:15	Fig. 6	ATCC 98965
	TANGO 224 Form 1	SEQ ID NO:17	SEQ ID NO:19	SEQ ID NO:18	Fig. 7	ATCC 98966
35	TANGO 224 Form 2	SEQ ID NO:65	SEQ ID NO:67	SEQ ID NO:66	Fig. 30	

TANGO 239 Form 1	SEQ ID NO:20	SEQ ID NO:22	SEQ ID NO:21	Fig. 8	ATCC 989999
TANGO 239 Form 2	SEQ ID NO:68	SEQ ID NO:127	SEQ ID NO:126	Fig. 31	

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TABLE 2: Summary of Domains of Human TANGO 128, TANGO 140, TANGO 197, TANGO 212, TANGO 213, TANGO 224, and TANGO 239 Proteins

25	Protein	Signal Sequence	Mature Protein	Extracellular Domain	Transmembrane Domain	Cytoplasmic Domain
	TANGO 128	aa 1-22 SEQ ID NO:23	aa 23-345 SEQ ID NO:29			
	TANGO 140-1			aa 1-146 SEQ ID NO:35	aa 147-170 SEQ ID NO:36	aa 171-206 SEQ ID NO:37
30	TANGO 197	aa 1-27 SEQ ID NO:24	aa 28-333 SEQ ID NO:30	aa 28-301 SEQ ID NO:	aa 302-319 SEQ ID NO:	aa 320-333 SEQ ID NO:
	TANGO 212	aa 1-18 SEQ ID NO:25	aa 19-553 SEQ ID NO:31			
	TANGO 213	aa 1-22 SEQ ID NO:26	aa 23-271 SEQ ID NO:32			
35	TANGO 224 Form 1	aa 1-28 SEQ ID NO:27	aa 29-458 SEQ ID NO:33			
	TANGO 224 Form 2	aa 1-28 SEQ ID	aa 29-874 SEQ ID NO:			

	NO:27				
TANGO 239 Form 1	aa 1-18 SEQ ID NO:28	aa 19-550 SEQ ID NO:34			
TANGO 239 Form 2	aa 1-18 SEQ ID NO:125	aa 19-686 SEQ ID NO:126			

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10 TABLE 3: Summary of Mouse TANGO 128, TANGO 197, TANGO 212, TANGO 213, and TANGO 239 Sequence Information.

Gene	cDNA	ORF	Protein	Figure
Mouse TANGO 128	SEQ ID NO: 53	SEQ ID NO:55	SEQ ID NO:54	Fig. 26
Mouse TANGO 197	SEQ ID NO:56	SEQ ID NO: 58	SEQ ID NO:57	Fig. 27
Mouse TANGO 212	SEQ ID NO:59	SEQ ID NO:61	SEQ ID NO:60	Fig. 28
Mouse TANGO 213	SEQ ID NO:62	SEQ ID NO:64	SEQ ID NO:63	Fig. 29
Mouse TANGO 239	SEQ ID NO:71	SEQ ID NO:73	SEQ ID NO:72	Fig. 32

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TABLE 4: Summary of Domains of TANGO 197, TANGO 212, and TANGO 239 Proteins

Protein	Signal Sequence	Mature Protein	Extracellular Domain	Transmembrane Domain	Cytoplasmic Domain
Mouse TANGO 197		aa 1-381 SEQ ID NO:	aa 161-381 SEQ ID NO:	aa 139-160 SEQ ID NO:	aa 1-138 SEQ ID NO:
Mouse TANGO 212	aa 1-18 SEQ ID NO:	aa 19-553 SEQ ID NO:			
Mouse TANGO 239	aa 1-18 SEQ ID NO:	aa 19-54 SEQ ID NO:			

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Various aspects of the invention are described in further detail in the following subsections.

I. Isolated Nucleic Acid Molecules

35 One aspect of the invention pertains to isolated nucleic acid molecules that encode a polypeptide of the invention or a biologically active portion thereof, as well as nucleic acid molecules sufficient for use as hybridization probes to identify nucleic acid molecules

encoding a polypeptide of the invention and fragments of such nucleic acid molecules suitable for use as PCR primers for the amplification or mutation of nucleic acid molecules. As used herein, the term "nucleic acid molecule" is intended to include DNA molecules (e.g., cDNA or genomic DNA) and RNA molecules (e.g., mRNA) and analogs of the DNA or RNA generated using nucleotide analogs. The nucleic acid molecule can be single-stranded or double-stranded, but preferably is double-stranded DNA.

An "isolated" nucleic acid molecule is one which is separated from other nucleic acid molecules which are present in the natural source of the nucleic acid molecule. Preferably, an "isolated" nucleic acid molecule is free of sequences (preferably protein encoding sequences) which naturally flank the nucleic acid (i.e., sequences located at the 5' and 3' ends of the nucleic acid) in the genomic DNA of the organism from which the nucleic acid is derived. For example, in various embodiments, the isolated nucleic acid molecule can contain less than about 5 kB, 4 kB, 3 kB, 2 kB, 1 kB, 0.5 kB or 0.1 kB of nucleotide sequences which naturally flank the nucleic acid molecule in genomic DNA of the cell from which the nucleic acid is derived. Moreover, an "isolated" nucleic acid molecule, such as a cDNA molecule, can be substantially free of other cellular material, or culture medium when produced by recombinant techniques, or substantially free of chemical precursors or other chemicals when chemically synthesized.

A nucleic acid molecule of the present invention, e.g., a nucleic acid molecule having the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, or a complement thereof, can be isolated using standard molecular biology techniques and the sequence information provided herein. Using all or a portion of the nucleic acid sequences of SEQ ID NO:1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, as a hybridization probe, nucleic acid molecules of the invention can be isolated using standard hybridization and cloning techniques (e.g., as described in Sambrook et al., eds., *Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual*, 2nd ed., Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, Cold Spring Harbor, NY, 1989).

A nucleic acid molecule of the invention can be amplified using cDNA, mRNA or genomic DNA as a template and appropriate oligonucleotide primers according to standard PCR amplification techniques. The nucleic acid so amplified can be cloned into an appropriate vector and characterized by DNA sequence analysis. Furthermore, oligonucleotides corresponding to all or a portion of a nucleic acid molecule of the invention can be prepared by standard synthetic techniques, e.g., using an automated DNA synthesizer.

In another preferred embodiment, an isolated nucleic acid molecule of the invention comprises a nucleic acid molecule which is a complement of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, or a portion thereof. A nucleic acid molecule which is
5 complementary to a given nucleotide sequence is one which is sufficiently complementary to the given nucleotide sequence that it can hybridize to the given nucleotide sequence thereby forming a stable duplex.

Moreover, a nucleic acid molecule of the invention can comprise only a portion of a nucleic acid sequence encoding a full length polypeptide of the invention for example, a
10 fragment which can be used as a probe or primer or a fragment encoding a biologically active portion of a polypeptide of the invention. The nucleotide sequence determined from the cloning one gene allows for the generation of probes and primers designed for use in identifying and/or cloning homologues in other cell types, e.g., from other tissues, as well as homologues from other mammals. The probe/primer typically comprises substantially
15 purified oligonucleotide. The oligonucleotide typically comprises a region of nucleotide sequence that hybridizes under stringent conditions to at least about 12, preferably about 25, more preferably about 50, 75, 100, 125, 150, 175, 200, 250, 300, 350 or 400 consecutive nucleotides of the sense or anti-sense sequence of SEQ ID NO:1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, or of a
20 naturally occurring mutant of SEQ ID NO:1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20 or 22.

Probes based on the sequence of a nucleic acid molecule of the invention can be used to detect transcripts or genomic sequences encoding the same protein molecule encoded by a selected nucleic acid molecule. The probe comprises a label group attached thereto, e.g., a radioisotope, a fluorescent compound, an enzyme, or an enzyme co-factor.
25 Such probes can be used as part of a diagnostic test kit for identifying cells or tissues which mis-express the protein, such as by measuring levels of a nucleic acid molecule encoding the protein in a sample of cells from a subject, e.g., detecting mRNA levels or determining whether a gene encoding the protein has been mutated or deleted.

A nucleic acid fragment encoding a biologically active portion of a polypeptide of
30 the invention can be prepared by isolating a portion of any of SEQ ID NOs:1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, expressing the encoded portion of the polypeptide protein (e.g., by recombinant expression *in vitro*) and assessing the activity of the encoded portion of the polypeptide.

The invention further encompasses nucleic acid molecules that differ from the
35 nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, due to degeneracy of the genetic code

and thus encode the same protein as that encoded by the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73.

In addition to the nucleotide sequences of SEQ ID NOs:1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, it will be appreciated by those skilled in the art that DNA sequence polymorphisms that lead to changes in the amino acid sequence may exist within a population (e.g., the human population). Such genetic polymorphisms may exist among individuals within a population due to natural allelic variation. An allele is one of a group of genes which occur alternatively at a given genetic locus. For example, TANGO 128 has been mapped to chromosome 4, between flanking markers WI-3936 and AFMCO27ZB9, and therefore, TANGO 128 family members can include nucleotide sequence polymorphisms (e.g., nucleotide sequences that vary from SEQ ID NO:X) that map to this chromosome 4 region (i.e., between markers WI-3936 and AFMCO27ZB9). For example, TANGO 213 has been mapped to chromosome 17, in the region p13.3, between flanking markers WI-5436 and WI-6584, and therefore, TANGO 213 family members can include nucleotide sequence polymorphisms (e.g., nucleotide sequences that vary from SEQ ID NO:X) that map to this chromosome 17 region (i.e., between markers WI-5436 and WI-6584). As used herein, the phrase allelic variant refers to a nucleotide sequence which occurs at a given locus or to a polypeptide encoded by the nucleotide sequence. As used herein, the terms "gene" and "recombinant gene" refer to nucleic acid molecules comprising an open reading frame encoding a polypeptide of the invention. Such natural allelic variations can typically result in 1-5% variance in the nucleotide sequence of a given gene. Alternative alleles can be identified by sequencing the gene of interest in a number of different individuals. This can be readily carried out by using hybridization probes to identify the same genetic locus in a variety of individuals. Any and all such nucleotide variations and resulting amino acid polymorphisms or variations that are the result of natural allelic variation and that do not alter the functional activity are intended to be within the scope of the invention.

Moreover, nucleic acid molecules encoding proteins of the invention from other species (homologues), which have a nucleotide sequence which differs from that of the human protein described herein are intended to be within the scope of the invention. Nucleic acid molecules corresponding to natural allelic variants and homologues of a cDNA of the invention can be isolated based on their identity to the human nucleic acid molecule disclosed herein using the human cDNAs, or a portion thereof, as a hybridization probe according to standard hybridization techniques under stringent hybridization conditions. For example, a cDNA encoding a soluble form of a membrane-bound protein of the

invention isolated based on its hybridization to a nucleic acid molecule encoding all or part of the membrane-bound form. Likewise, a cDNA encoding a membrane-bound form can be isolated based on its hybridization to a nucleic acid molecule encoding all or part of the soluble form.

- 5 Accordingly, in another embodiment, an isolated nucleic acid molecule of the invention is at least 100 (125, 150, 175, 200, 225, 250, 275, 300, 325, 350, 375, 400, 425, 450, 500, 550, 600, 650, 700, 800, 900, 1000, or 1290) nucleotides in length and hybridizes under stringent conditions to the nucleic acid molecule comprising the nucleotide sequence, preferably the coding sequence, of SEQ ID NO:1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20,
10 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, or complement thereof.

- As used herein, the term "hybridizes under stringent conditions" is intended to describe conditions for hybridization and washing under which nucleotide sequences at least 60% (65%, 70%, preferably 75%) identical to each other typically remain hybridized to each other. Such stringent conditions are known to those skilled in the art and can be
15 found in *Current Protocols in Molecular Biology*, John Wiley & Sons, N.Y. (1989), 6.3.1-6.3.6. A preferred, non-limiting example of stringent hybridization conditions are hybridization in 6X sodium chloride/sodium citrate (SSC) at about 45 C, followed by one or more washes in 0.2 X SSC, 0.1% SDS at 50-65 C. Preferably, an isolated nucleic acid molecule of the invention that hybridizes under stringent conditions to the sequence of SEQ
20 ID NO:1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, or complement thereof, corresponds to a naturally-occurring nucleic acid molecule. As used herein, a "naturally-occurring" nucleic acid molecule refers to an RNA or DNA molecule having a nucleotide sequence that occurs in nature (e.g., encodes a natural protein). Representative species that hybridize under such conditions to one or more
25 of the sequences above include, but are not limited to, SEQ ID Nos:78, 80, 82, 84, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 96, and 98, which in particular hybridize to the TANGO 128 sequences listed above (SEQ ID NO:1).

- In addition to naturally-occurring allelic variants of a nucleic acid molecule of the invention sequence that may exist in the population, the skilled artisan will further
30 appreciate that changes can be introduced by mutation thereby leading to changes in the amino acid sequence of the encoded protein, without altering the biological activity of the protein. For example, one can make nucleotide substitutions leading to amino acid substitutions at "non-essential" amino acid residues. A "non-essential" amino acid residue is a residue that can be altered from the wild-type sequence without altering the biological
35 activity, whereas an "essential" amino acid residue is required for biological activity. For example, amino acid residues that are not conserved or only semi-conserved among

homologues of various species may be non-essential for activity and thus would be likely targets for alteration. Alternatively, amino acid residues that are conserved among the homologues of various species (e.g., murine and human) may be essential for activity and thus would not be likely targets for alteration. For example, representative species of the mouse TANGO 128 presented for illustrative purposes only and not by way of limitation, include but are not limited to, SEQ ID Nos 78, 80, 82, 84, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 96, and 98.

Accordingly, another aspect of the invention pertains to nucleic acid molecules encoding a polypeptide of the invention that contain changes in amino acid residues that are not essential for activity. Such polypeptides differ in amino acid sequence from SEQ ID NO:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, yet retain biological activity. In one embodiment, the isolated nucleic acid molecule includes a nucleotide sequence encoding a protein that includes an amino acid sequence that is at least about 45% identical, 65%, 75%, 85%, 95%, or 98% identical to the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72.

An isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding a variant protein can be created by introducing one or more nucleotide substitutions, additions or deletions into the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, such that one or more amino acid substitutions, additions or deletions are introduced into the encoded protein. Preferably such variant proteins retain or exhibit at least one structural or biological activity of the polypeptides of the invention. Mutations can be introduced by standard techniques, such as site-directed mutagenesis and PCR-mediated mutagenesis. Preferably, conservative amino acid substitutions are made at one or more predicted non-essential amino acid residues. A "conservative amino acid substitution" is one in which the amino acid residue is replaced with an amino acid residue having a similar side chain. Families of amino acid residues having similar side chains have been defined in the art. These families include amino acids with basic side chains (e.g., lysine, arginine, histidine), acidic side chains (e.g., aspartic acid, glutamic acid), uncharged polar side chains (e.g., glycine, asparagine, glutamine, serine, threonine, tyrosine, cysteine), nonpolar side chains (e.g., alanine, valine, leucine, isoleucine, proline, phenylalanine, methionine, tryptophan), beta-branched side chains (e.g., threonine, valine, isoleucine) and aromatic side chains (e.g., tyrosine, phenylalanine, tryptophan, histidine). Alternatively, mutations can be introduced randomly along all or part of the coding sequence, such as by saturation mutagenesis, and the resultant mutants can be screened for biological activity to identify mutants that retain activity. Following mutagenesis, the encoded protein can be expressed recombinantly and the activity of the protein can be determined.

In a preferred embodiment, a mutant polypeptide that is a variant of a polypeptide of the invention can be assayed for: (1) the ability to form protein:protein interactions with proteins in a signaling pathway of the polypeptide of the invention; (2) the ability to bind a ligand of the polypeptide of the invention; or (3) the ability to bind to an intracellular target protein of the polypeptide of the invention. In yet another preferred embodiment, the mutant polypeptide can be assayed for the ability to modulate cellular proliferation, cellular migration or chemotaxis, or cellular differentiation.

The present invention encompasses antisense nucleic acid molecules, i.e., molecules which are complementary to a sense nucleic acid encoding a polypeptide of the invention, e.g., complementary to the coding strand of a double-stranded cDNA molecule or complementary to an mRNA sequence. Accordingly, an antisense nucleic acid can hydrogen bond to a sense nucleic acid. The antisense nucleic acid can be complementary to an entire coding strand, or to only a portion thereof, e.g., all or part of the protein coding region (or open reading frame). An antisense nucleic acid molecule can be antisense to all or part of a non-coding region of the coding strand of a nucleotide sequence encoding a polypeptide of the invention. The non-coding regions ("5' and 3' untranslated regions") are the 5' and 3' sequences which flank the coding region and are not translated into amino acids.

An antisense oligonucleotide can be, for example, about 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 or 50 nucleotides in length. An antisense nucleic acid of the invention can be constructed using chemical synthesis and enzymatic ligation reactions using procedures known in the art. For example, an antisense nucleic acid (e.g., an antisense oligonucleotide) can be chemically synthesized using naturally occurring nucleotides or variously modified nucleotides designed to increase the biological stability of the molecules or to increase the physical stability of the duplex formed between the antisense and sense nucleic acids, e.g., phosphorothioate derivatives and acridine substituted nucleotides can be used. Examples of modified nucleotides which can be used to generate the antisense nucleic acid include 5-fluorouracil, 5-bromouracil, 5-chlorouracil, 5-iodouracil, hypoxanthine, xanthine, 4-acetylcytosine, 5-(carboxyhydroxymethyl) uracil, 5-carboxymethylaminomethyl-2-thiouridine, 5-carboxymethylaminomethyluracil, dihydrouracil, beta-D-galactosylqueosine, inosine, N6-isopentenyladenine, 1-methylguanine, 1-methylinosine, 2,2-dimethylguanine, 2-methyladenine, 2-methylguanine, 3-methylcytosine, 5-methylcytosine, N6-adenine, 7-methylguanine, 5-methylaminomethyluracil, 5-methoxyaminomethyl-2-thiouracil, beta-D-mannosylqueosine, 5'-methoxycarboxymethyluracil, 5-methoxyuracil, 2-methylthio-N6-isopentenyladenine, uracil-5-oxyacetic acid (v), wybutoxosine, pseudouracil, queosine, 2-thiocytosine, 5-methyl-2-thiouracil, 2-thiouracil, 4-thiouracil, 5-methyluracil, uracil-5-

oxyacetic acid methylester, uracil-5-oxyacetic acid (v), 5-methyl-2-thiouracil, 3-(3-amino-3-N-2-carboxypropyl) uracil, (acp3)w, and 2,6-diaminopurine. Alternatively, the antisense nucleic acid can be produced biologically using an expression vector into which a nucleic acid has been subcloned in an antisense orientation (i.e., RNA transcribed from the inserted
5 nucleic acid will be of an antisense orientation to a target nucleic acid of interest, described further in the following subsection).

The antisense nucleic acid molecules of the invention are typically administered to a subject or generated *in situ* such that they hybridize with or bind to cellular mRNA and/or genomic DNA encoding a selected polypeptide of the invention to thereby inhibit
10 expression, e.g., by inhibiting transcription and/or translation. The hybridization can be by conventional nucleotide complementarity to form a stable duplex, or, for example, in the case of an antisense nucleic acid molecule which binds to DNA duplexes, through specific interactions in the major groove of the double helix. An example of a route of administration of antisense nucleic acid molecules of the invention includes direct injection
15 at a tissue site. Alternatively, antisense nucleic acid molecules can be modified to target selected cells and then administered systemically. For example, for systemic administration, antisense molecules can be modified such that they specifically bind to receptors or antigens expressed on a selected cell surface, e.g., by linking the antisense nucleic acid molecules to peptides or antibodies which bind to cell surface receptors or
20 antigens. The antisense nucleic acid molecules can also be delivered to cells using the vectors described herein. To achieve sufficient intracellular concentrations of the antisense molecules, vector constructs in which the antisense nucleic acid molecule is placed under the control of a strong pol II or pol III promoter are preferred.

An antisense nucleic acid molecule of the invention can be an α -anomeric nucleic
25 acid molecule. An α -anomeric nucleic acid molecule forms specific double-stranded hybrids with complementary RNA in which, contrary to the usual β -units, the strands run parallel to each other (Gaultier et al. (1987) *Nucleic Acids Res.* 15:6625-6641). The antisense nucleic acid molecule can also comprise a 2'-o-methylribonucleotide (Inoue et al. (1987) *Nucleic Acids Res.* 15:6131-6148) or a chimeric RNA-DNA analogue (Inoue et al.
30 (1987) *FEBS Lett.* 215:327-330).

The invention also encompasses ribozymes. Ribozymes are catalytic RNA molecules with ribonuclease activity which are capable of cleaving a single-stranded nucleic acid, such as an mRNA, to which they have a complementary region. Thus, ribozymes (e.g., hammerhead ribozymes (described in Haselhoff and Gerlach (1988) *Nature* 334:585-
35 591)) can be used to catalytically cleave mRNA transcripts to thereby inhibit translation of the protein encoded by the mRNA. A ribozyme having specificity for a nucleic acid

molecule encoding a polypeptide of the invention can be designed based upon the nucleotide sequence of a cDNA disclosed herein. For example, a derivative of a *Tetrahymena* L-19 IVS RNA can be constructed in which the nucleotide sequence of the active site is complementary to the nucleotide sequence to be cleaved in a Cech et al. U.S. Patent No. 4,987,071; and Cech et al. U.S. Patent No. 5,116,742. Alternatively, an mRNA encoding a polypeptide of the invention can be used to select a catalytic RNA having a specific ribonuclease activity from a pool of RNA molecules. *See, e.g.,* Bartel and Szostak (1993) *Science* 261:1411-1418.

The invention also encompasses nucleic acid molecules which form triple helical structures. For example, expression of a polypeptide of the invention can be inhibited by targeting nucleotide sequences complementary to the regulatory region of the gene encoding the polypeptide (e.g., the promoter and/or enhancer) to form triple helical structures that prevent transcription of the gene in target cells. *See generally* Helene (1991) *Anticancer Drug Des.* 6(6):569-84; Helene (1992) *Ann. N.Y. Acad. Sci.* 660:27-36; and Maher (1992) *Bioassays* 14(12):807-15.

In various embodiments, the nucleic acid molecules of the invention can be modified at the base moiety, sugar moiety or phosphate backbone to improve, e.g., the stability, hybridization, or solubility of the molecule. For example, the deoxyribose phosphate backbone of the nucleic acids can be modified to generate peptide nucleic acids (see Hyrup et al. (1996) *Bioorganic & Medicinal Chemistry* 4(1): 5-23). As used herein, the terms "peptide nucleic acids" or "PNAs" refer to nucleic acid mimics, e.g., DNA mimics, in which the deoxyribose phosphate backbone is replaced by a pseudopeptide backbone and only the four natural nucleobases are retained. The neutral backbone of PNAs has been shown to allow for specific hybridization to DNA and RNA under conditions of low ionic strength. The synthesis of PNA oligomers can be performed using standard solid phase peptide synthesis protocols as described in Hyrup et al. (1996), *supra*; Perry-O'Keefe et al. (1996) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 93: 14670-675.

PNAs can be used in therapeutic and diagnostic applications. For example, PNAs can be used as antisense or antigene agents for sequence-specific modulation of gene expression by, e.g., inducing transcription or translation arrest or inhibiting replication. PNAs can also be used, e.g., in the analysis of single base pair mutations in a gene by, e.g., PNA directed PCR clamping; as artificial restriction enzymes when used in combination with other enzymes, e.g., S1 nucleases (Hyrup (1996), *supra*; or as probes or primers for DNA sequence and hybridization (Hyrup (1996), *supra*; Perry-O'Keefe et al. (1996) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 93: 14670-675).

In another embodiment, PNAs can be modified, e.g., to enhance their stability or cellular uptake, by attaching lipophilic or other helper groups to PNA, by the formation of PNA-DNA chimeras, or by the use of liposomes or other techniques of drug delivery known in the art. For example, PNA-DNA chimeras can be generated which may combine the advantageous properties of PNA and DNA. Such chimeras allow DNA recognition enzymes, e.g., RNase H and DNA polymerases, to interact with the DNA portion while the PNA portion would provide high binding affinity and specificity. PNA-DNA chimeras can be linked using linkers of appropriate lengths selected in terms of base stacking, number of bonds between the nucleobases, and orientation (Hyrup (1996), *supra*). The synthesis of PNA-DNA chimeras can be performed as described in Hyrup (1996), *supra*, and Finn et al. (1996) *Nucleic Acids Res.* 24(17):3357-63. For example, a DNA chain can be synthesized on a solid support using standard phosphoramidite coupling chemistry and modified nucleoside analogs. Compounds such as 5'-(4-methoxytrityl)amino-5'-deoxy-thymidine phosphoramidite can be used as a link between the PNA and the 5' end of DNA (Mag et al. (1989) *Nucleic Acids Res.* 17:5973-88). PNA monomers are then coupled in a stepwise manner to produce a chimeric molecule with a 5' PNA segment and a 3' DNA segment (Finn et al. (1996) *Nucleic Acids Res.* 24(17):3357-63). Alternatively, chimeric molecules can be synthesized with a 5' DNA segment and a 3' PNA segment (Peterser et al. (1975) *Bioorganic Med. Chem. Lett.* 5:1119-1124).

In other embodiments, the oligonucleotide may include other appended groups such as peptides (e.g., for targeting host cell receptors *in vivo*), or agents facilitating transport across the cell membrane (*see, e.g.*, Letsinger et al. (1989) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 86:6553-6556; Lemaitre et al. (1987) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 84:648-652; PCT Publication No. W0 88/09810) or the blood-brain barrier (*see, e.g.*, PCT Publication No. W0 89/10134). In addition, oligonucleotides can be modified with hybridization-triggered cleavage agents (*see, e.g.*, Krol et al. (1988) *Bio/Techniques* 6:958-976) or intercalating agents (*see, e.g.*, Zon (1988) *Pharm. Res.* 5:539-549). To this end, the oligonucleotide may be conjugated to another molecule, e.g., a peptide, hybridization triggered cross-linking agent, transport agent, hybridization-triggered cleavage agent, etc.

II. Isolated Proteins and Antibodies

One aspect of the invention pertains to isolated proteins, and biologically active portions thereof, as well as polypeptide fragments suitable for use as immunogens to raise antibodies directed against a polypeptide of the invention. In one embodiment, the native polypeptide can be isolated from cells or tissue sources by an appropriate purification scheme using standard protein purification techniques. In another embodiment,

polypeptides of the invention are produced by recombinant DNA techniques. Alternative to recombinant expression, a polypeptide of the invention can be synthesized chemically using standard peptide synthesis techniques.

An "isolated" or "purified" protein or biologically active portion thereof is

- 5 substantially free of cellular material or other contaminating proteins from the cell or tissue source from which the protein is derived, or substantially free of chemical precursors or other chemicals when chemically synthesized. The language "substantially free of cellular material" includes preparations of protein in which the protein is separated from cellular components of the cells from which it is isolated or recombinantly produced. Thus, protein
10 that is substantially free of cellular material includes preparations of protein having less than about 30%, 20%, 10%, or 5% (by dry weight) of heterologous protein (also referred to herein as a "contaminating protein"). When the protein or biologically active portion thereof is recombinantly produced, it is also preferably substantially free of culture medium, i.e., culture medium represents less than about 20%, 10%, or 5% of the volume of the
15 protein preparation. When the protein is produced by chemical synthesis, it is preferably substantially free of chemical precursors or other chemicals, i.e., it is separated from chemical precursors or other chemicals which are involved in the synthesis of the protein. Accordingly such preparations of the protein have less than about 30%, 20%, 10%, 5% (by dry weight) of chemical precursors or compounds other than the polypeptide of interest.

- 20 Biologically active portions of a polypeptide of the invention include polypeptides comprising amino acid sequences sufficiently identical to or derived from the amino acid sequence of the protein (e.g., the amino acid sequence shown in any of SEQ ID NOs:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72), which include fewer amino acids than the full length protein, and exhibit at least one activity of the corresponding full-length protein.
25 Typically, biologically active portions comprise a domain or motif with at least one activity of the corresponding protein. A biologically active portion of a protein of the invention can be a polypeptide which is, for example, 10, 25, 50, 100 or more amino acids in length. Moreover, other biologically active portions, in which other regions of the protein are deleted, can be prepared by recombinant techniques and evaluated for one or more of the
30 functional activities of the native form of a polypeptide of the invention.

- Preferred polypeptides have the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72. Other useful proteins are substantially identical (e.g., at least about 45%, preferably 55%, 65%, 75%, 85%, 95%, or 99%) to any of SEQ ID NO:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72 and retain the functional activity of the
35 protein of the corresponding naturally-occurring protein yet differ in amino acid sequence due to natural allelic variation or mutagenesis.

To determine the percent identity of two amino acid sequences or of two nucleic acids, the sequences are aligned for optimal comparison purposes (e.g., gaps can be introduced in the sequence of a first amino acid or nucleic acid sequence for optimal alignment with a second amino or nucleic acid sequence). The amino acid residues or nucleotides at corresponding amino acid positions or nucleotide positions are then compared. When a position in the first sequence is occupied by the same amino acid residue or nucleotide as the corresponding position in the second sequence, then the molecules are identical at that position. The percent identity between the two sequences is a function of the number of identical positions shared by the sequences (i.e., % identity = # of identical positions/total # of positions (e.g., overlapping positions) x 100). In one embodiment the two sequences are the same length.

The determination of percent identity between two sequences can be accomplished using a mathematical algorithm. A preferred, non-limiting example of a mathematical algorithm utilized for the comparison of two sequences is the algorithm of Karlin and Altschul (1990) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 87:2264-2268, modified as in Karlin and Altschul (1993) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 90:5873-5877. Such an algorithm is incorporated into the NBLAST and XBLAST programs of Altschul, et al. (1990) *J. Mol. Biol.* 215:403-410. BLAST nucleotide searches can be performed with the NBLAST program, score = 100, wordlength = 12 to obtain nucleotide sequences homologous to a nucleic acid molecules of the invention. BLAST protein searches can be performed with the XBLAST program, score = 50, wordlength = 3 to obtain amino acid sequences homologous to a protein molecules of the invention. To obtain gapped alignments for comparison purposes, Gapped BLAST can be utilized as described in Altschul et al. (1997) *Nucleic Acids Res.* 25:3389-3402. Alternatively, PSI-Blast can be used to perform an iterated search which detects distant relationships between molecules. *Id.* When utilizing BLAST, Gapped BLAST, and PSI-Blast programs, the default parameters of the respective programs (e.g., XBLAST and NBLAST) can be used. See <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov>. Another preferred, non-limiting example of a mathematical algorithm utilized for the comparison of sequences is the algorithm of Myers and Miller, (1988) *CABIOS* 4:11-17. Such an algorithm is incorporated into the ALIGN program (version 2.0) which is part of the GCG sequence alignment software package. When utilizing the ALIGN program for comparing amino acid sequences, a PAM120 weight residue table, a gap length penalty of 12, and a gap penalty of 4 can be used.

The percent identity between two sequences can be determined using techniques similar to those described above, with or without allowing gaps. In calculating percent identity, only exact matches are counted.

The invention also provides chimeric or fusion proteins. As used herein, a "chimeric protein" or "fusion protein" comprises all or part (preferably biologically active) of a polypeptide of the invention operably linked to a heterologous polypeptide (i.e., a polypeptide other than the same polypeptide of the invention). Within the fusion protein, the term "operably linked" is intended to indicate that the polypeptide of the invention and the heterologous polypeptide are fused in-frame to each other. The heterologous polypeptide can be fused to the N-terminus or C-terminus of the polypeptide of the invention. One useful fusion protein is a GST fusion protein in which the polypeptide of the invention is fused to the C-terminus of GST sequences. Such fusion proteins can facilitate the purification of a recombinant polypeptide of the invention.

In another embodiment, the fusion protein contains a heterologous signal sequence at its N-terminus. For example, the native signal sequence of a polypeptide of the invention can be removed and replaced with a signal sequence from another protein. For example, the gp67 secretory sequence of the baculovirus envelope protein can be used as a heterologous signal sequence (*Current Protocols in Molecular Biology*, Ausubel et al., eds., John Wiley & Sons, 1992). Other examples of eukaryotic heterologous signal sequences include the secretory sequences of melittin and human placental alkaline phosphatase (Stratagene; La Jolla, California). In yet another example, useful prokaryotic heterologous signal sequences include the phoA secretory signal (Sambrook et al., *supra*) and the protein A secretory signal (Pharmacia Biotech; Piscataway, New Jersey).

In yet another embodiment, the fusion protein is an immunoglobulin fusion protein in which all or part of a polypeptide of the invention is fused to sequences derived from a member of the immunoglobulin protein family. The immunoglobulin fusion proteins of the invention can be incorporated into pharmaceutical compositions and administered to a subject to inhibit an interaction between a ligand (soluble or membrane-bound) and a protein on the surface of a cell (receptor), to thereby suppress signal transduction *in vivo*. The immunoglobulin fusion protein can be used to affect the bioavailability of a cognate ligand of a polypeptide of the invention. Inhibition of ligand/receptor interaction may be useful therapeutically, both for treating proliferative and differentiative disorders and for modulating (e.g. promoting or inhibiting) cell survival. Moreover, the immunoglobulin fusion proteins of the invention can be used as immunogens to produce antibodies directed against a polypeptide of the invention in a subject, to purify ligands and in screening assays to identify molecules which inhibit the interaction of receptors with ligands.

Chimeric and fusion proteins of the invention can be produced by standard recombinant DNA techniques. In another embodiment, the fusion gene can be synthesized by conventional techniques including automated DNA synthesizers. Alternatively, PCR

amplification of gene fragments can be carried out using anchor primers which give rise to complementary overhangs between two consecutive gene fragments which can subsequently be annealed and reamplified to generate a chimeric gene sequence (*see, e.g.,* Ausubel et al., *supra*). Moreover, many expression vectors are commercially available that
5 already encode a fusion moiety (e.g., a GST polypeptide). A nucleic acid encoding a polypeptide of the invention can be cloned into such an expression vector such that the fusion moiety is linked in-frame to the polypeptide of the invention.

A signal sequence of a polypeptide of the invention (SEQ ID NO:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 23, 24, 24, 26, 27, 28, or 125) can be used to facilitate secretion and isolation of the
10 secreted protein or other proteins of interest. Signal sequences are typically characterized by a core of hydrophobic amino acids which are generally cleaved from the mature protein during secretion in one or more cleavage events. Such signal peptides contain processing sites that allow cleavage of the signal sequence from the mature proteins as they pass through the secretory pathway. Thus, the invention pertains to the described polypeptides
15 having a signal sequence, as well as to the signal sequence itself and to the polypeptide in the absence of the signal sequence (i.e., the cleavage products). In one embodiment, a nucleic acid sequence encoding a signal sequence of the invention can be operably linked in an expression vector to a protein of interest, such as a protein which is ordinarily not secreted or is otherwise difficult to isolate. The signal sequence directs secretion of the
20 protein, such as from a eukaryotic host into which the expression vector is transformed, and the signal sequence is subsequently or concurrently cleaved. The protein can then be readily purified from the extracellular medium by art recognized methods. Alternatively, the signal sequence can be linked to the protein of interest using a sequence which facilitates purification, such as with a GST domain.

25 In another embodiment, the signal sequences of the present invention can be used to identify regulatory sequences, e.g., promoters, enhancers, repressors. Since signal sequences are the most amino-terminal sequences of a peptide, it is expected that the nucleic acids which flank the signal sequence on its amino-terminal side will be regulatory sequences which affect transcription. Thus, a nucleotide sequence which encodes all or a
30 portion of a signal sequence can be used as a probe to identify and isolate signal sequences and their flanking regions, and these flanking regions can be studied to identify regulatory elements therein.

The present invention also pertains to variants of the polypeptides of the invention. Such variants have an altered amino acid sequence which can function as either agonists
35 (mimetics) or as antagonists. Variants can be generated by mutagenesis, e.g., discrete point mutation or truncation. An agonist can retain substantially the same, or a subset, of the

biological activities of the naturally occurring form of the protein. An antagonist of a protein can inhibit one or more of the activities of the naturally occurring form of the protein by, for example, competitively binding to a downstream or upstream member of a cellular signaling cascade which includes the protein of interest. Thus, specific biological effects can be elicited by treatment with a variant of limited function. Treatment of a subject with a variant having a subset of the biological activities of the naturally occurring form of the protein can have fewer side effects in a subject relative to treatment with the naturally occurring form of the protein.

Variants of a protein of the invention which function as either agonists (mimetics) or as antagonists can be identified by screening combinatorial libraries of mutants, e.g., truncation mutants, of the protein of the invention for agonist or antagonist activity. In one embodiment, a variegated library of variants is generated by combinatorial mutagenesis at the nucleic acid level and is encoded by a variegated gene library. A variegated library of variants can be produced by, for example, enzymatically ligating a mixture of synthetic oligonucleotides into gene sequences such that a degenerate set of potential protein sequences is expressible as individual polypeptides, or alternatively, as a set of larger fusion proteins (e.g., for phage display). There are a variety of methods which can be used to produce libraries of potential variants of the polypeptides of the invention from a degenerate oligonucleotide sequence. Methods for synthesizing degenerate oligonucleotides are known in the art (*see, e.g.,* Narang (1983) *Tetrahedron* 39:3; Itakura et al. (1984) *Annu. Rev. Biochem.* 53:323; Itakura et al. (1984) *Science* 198:1056; Ike et al. (1983) *Nucleic Acid Res.* 11:477).

In addition, libraries of fragments of the coding sequence of a polypeptide of the invention can be used to generate a variegated population of polypeptides for screening and subsequent selection of variants. For example, a library of coding sequence fragments can be generated by treating a double stranded PCR fragment of the coding sequence of interest with a nuclease under conditions wherein nicking occurs only about once per molecule, denaturing the double stranded DNA, renaturing the DNA to form double stranded DNA which can include sense/antisense pairs from different nicked products, removing single stranded portions from reformed duplexes by treatment with S1 nuclease, and ligating the resulting fragment library into an expression vector. By this method, an expression library can be derived which encodes N-terminal and internal fragments of various sizes of the protein of interest.

Several techniques are known in the art for screening gene products of combinatorial libraries made by point mutations or truncation, and for screening cDNA libraries for gene products having a selected property. The most widely used techniques, which are amenable

to high through-put analysis, for screening large gene libraries typically include cloning the gene library into replicable expression vectors, transforming appropriate cells with the resulting library of vectors, and expressing the combinatorial genes under conditions in which detection of a desired activity facilitates isolation of the vector encoding the gene
5 whose product was detected. Recursive ensemble mutagenesis (REM), a technique which enhances the frequency of functional mutants in the libraries, can be used in combination with the screening assays to identify variants of a protein of the invention (Arkin and Yourvan (1992) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 89:7811-7815; Delgrave et al. (1993) *Protein Engineering* 6(3):327-331).

10 An isolated polypeptide of the invention, or a fragment thereof, can be used as an immunogen to generate antibodies using standard techniques for polyclonal and monoclonal antibody preparation. The full-length polypeptide or protein can be used or, alternatively, the invention provides antigenic peptide fragments for use as immunogens. The antigenic peptide of a protein of the invention comprises at least 8 (preferably 10, 15, 20, or 30)
15 amino acid residues of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, and encompasses an epitope of the protein such that an antibody raised against the peptide forms a specific immune complex with the protein.

Preferred epitopes encompassed by the antigenic peptide are regions that are located on the surface of the protein, e.g., hydrophilic regions. Figures 8-14 are hydrophobicity
20 plots of the proteins of the invention. These plots or similar analyses can be used to identify hydrophilic regions.

An immunogen typically is used to prepare antibodies by immunizing a suitable subject, (e.g., rabbit, goat, mouse or other mammal). An appropriate immunogenic preparation can contain, for example, recombinantly expressed or chemically synthesized
25 polypeptide. The preparation can further include an adjuvant, such as Freund's complete or incomplete adjuvant, or similar immunostimulatory agent.

Accordingly, another aspect of the invention pertains to antibodies directed against a polypeptide of the invention. The term "antibody" as used herein refers to immunoglobulin molecules and immunologically active portions of immunoglobulin molecules, *i.e.*,
30 molecules that contain an antigen binding site which specifically binds an antigen, such as a polypeptide of the invention, *e.g.*, an epitope of a polypeptide of the invention. A molecule which specifically binds to a given polypeptide of the invention is a molecule which binds the polypeptide, but does not substantially bind other molecules in a sample, *e.g.*, a biological sample, which naturally contains the polypeptide. Examples of immunologically
35 active portions of immunoglobulin molecules include F(ab) and F(ab')₂ fragments which can be generated by treating the antibody with an enzyme such as pepsin. The invention

provides polyclonal and monoclonal antibodies. The term "monoclonal antibody" or "monoclonal antibody composition", as used herein, refers to a population of antibody molecules that contain only one species of an antigen binding site capable of immunoreacting with a particular epitope.

5 Polyclonal antibodies can be prepared as described above by immunizing a suitable subject with a polypeptide of the invention as an immunogen. Preferred polyclonal antibody compositions are ones that have been selected for antibodies directed against a polypeptide or polypeptides of the invention. Particularly preferred polyclonal antibody preparations are ones that contain only antibodies directed against a polypeptide or
10 polypeptides of the invention. Particularly preferred immunogen compositions are those that contain no other human proteins such as, for example, immunogen compositions made using a non-human host cell for recombinant expression of a polypeptide of the invention. In such a manner, the only human epitope or epitopes recognized by the resulting antibody compositions raised against this immunogen will be present as part of a polypeptide or
15 polypeptides of the invention.

The antibody titer in the immunized subject can be monitored over time by standard techniques, such as with an enzyme linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) using immobilized polypeptide. If desired, the antibody molecules can be isolated from the mammal (*e.g.*, from the blood) and further purified by well-known techniques, such as
20 protein A chromatography to obtain the IgG fraction. Alternatively, antibodies specific for a protein or polypeptide of the invention can be selected for (*e.g.*, partially purified) or purified by, *e.g.*, affinity chromatography. For example, a recombinantly expressed and purified (or partially purified) protein of the invention is produced as described herein, and covalently or non-covalently coupled to a solid support such as, for example, a
25 chromatography column. The column can then be used to affinity purify antibodies specific for the proteins of the invention from a sample containing antibodies directed against a large number of different epitopes, thereby generating a substantially purified antibody composition, *i.e.*, one that is substantially free of contaminating antibodies. By a substantially purified antibody composition is meant, in this context, that the antibody
30 sample contains at most only 30% (by dry weight) of contaminating antibodies directed against epitopes other than those on the desired protein or polypeptide of the invention, and preferably at most 20%, yet more preferably at most 10%, and most preferably at most 5% (by dry weight) of the sample is contaminating antibodies. A purified antibody composition means that at least 99% of the antibodies in the composition are directed against the desired
35 protein or polypeptide of the invention.

At an appropriate time after immunization, *e.g.*, when the specific antibody titers are highest, antibody-producing cells can be obtained from the subject and used to prepare monoclonal antibodies by standard techniques, such as the hybridoma technique originally described by Kohler and Milstein (1975) *Nature* 256:495-497, the human B cell hybridoma technique (Kozbor et al. (1983) *Immunol. Today* 4:72), the EBV-hybridoma technique (Cole et al. (1985), *Monoclonal Antibodies and Cancer Therapy*, Alan R. Liss, Inc., pp. 77-96) or trioma techniques. The technology for producing hybridomas is well known (*see generally Current Protocols in Immunology* (1994) Coligan et al. (eds.) John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, NY). Hybridoma cells producing a monoclonal antibody of the invention are
5 detected by screening the hybridoma culture supernatants for antibodies that bind the polypeptide of interest, *e.g.*, using a standard ELISA assay.

Alternative to preparing monoclonal antibody-secreting hybridomas, a monoclonal antibody directed against a polypeptide of the invention can be identified and isolated by screening a recombinant combinatorial immunoglobulin library (*e.g.*, an antibody phage
15 display library) with the polypeptide of interest. Kits for generating and screening phage display libraries are commercially available (*e.g.*, the Pharmacia *Recombinant Phage Antibody System*, Catalog No. 27-9400-01; and the Stratagene *SurfZAP™ Phage Display Kit*, Catalog No. 240612). Additionally, examples of methods and reagents particularly amenable for use in generating and screening antibody display library can be found in, for
20 example, U.S. Patent No. 5,223,409; PCT Publication No. WO 92/18619; PCT Publication No. WO 91/17271; PCT Publication No. WO 92/20791; PCT Publication No. WO 92/15679; PCT Publication No. WO 93/01288; PCT Publication No. WO 92/01047; PCT Publication No. WO 92/09690; PCT Publication No. WO 90/02809; Fuchs et al. (1991) *Bio/Technology* 9:1370-1372; Hay et al. (1992) *Hum. Antibod. Hybridomas* 3:81-85; Huse
25 et al. (1989) *Science* 246:1275-1281; Griffiths et al. (1993) *EMBO J.* 12:725-734.

Additionally, recombinant antibodies, such as chimeric and humanized monoclonal antibodies, comprising both human and non-human portions, which can be made using standard recombinant DNA techniques, are within the scope of the invention. A chimeric antibody is a molecule in which different portions are derived from different animal species,
30 such as those having a variable region derived from a murine mAb and a human immunoglobulin constant region. (See, *e.g.*, Cabilly et al., U.S. Patent No. 4,816,567; and Boss et al., U.S. Patent No. 4,816,397, which are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.) Humanized antibodies are antibody molecules from non-human species having one or more complementarily determining regions (CDRs) from the non-human species
35 and a framework region from a human immunoglobulin molecule. (See, *e.g.*, Queen, U.S. Patent No. 5,585,089, which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.) Such

- chimeric and humanized monoclonal antibodies can be produced by recombinant DNA techniques known in the art, for example using methods described in PCT Publication No. WO 87/02671; European Patent Application 184,187; European Patent Application 171,496; European Patent Application 173,494; PCT Publication No. WO 86/01533; U.S. Patent No. 4,816,567; European Patent Application 125,023; Better et al. (1988) *Science* 240:1041-1043; Liu et al. (1987) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 84:3439-3443; Liu et al. (1987) *J. Immunol.* 139:3521-3526; Sun et al. (1987) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 84:214-218; Nishimura et al. (1987) *Canc. Res.* 47:999-1005; Wood et al. (1985) *Nature* 314:446-449; and Shaw et al. (1988) *J. Natl. Cancer Inst.* 80:1553-1559; Morrison (1985) *Science* 229:1202-1207; Oi et al. (1986) *Bio/Techniques* 4:214; U.S. Patent 5,225,539; Jones et al. (1986) *Nature* 321:552-525; Verhoeyan et al. (1988) *Science* 239:1534; and Beidler et al. (1988) *J. Immunol.* 141:4053-4060.

Completely human antibodies are particularly desirable for therapeutic treatment of human patients. Such antibodies can be produced, for example, using transgenic mice which are incapable of expressing endogenous immunoglobulin heavy and light chain genes, but which can express human heavy and light chain genes. The transgenic mice are immunized in the normal fashion with a selected antigen, *e.g.*, all or a portion of a polypeptide of the invention. Monoclonal antibodies directed against the antigen can be obtained using conventional hybridoma technology. The human immunoglobulin transgenes harbored by the transgenic mice rearrange during B cell differentiation, and subsequently undergo class switching and somatic mutation. Thus, using such a technique, it is possible to produce therapeutically useful IgG, IgA and IgE antibodies. For an overview of this technology for producing human antibodies, see Lonberg and Huszar (1995, *Int. Rev. Immunol.* 13:65-93). For a detailed discussion of this technology for producing human antibodies and human monoclonal antibodies and protocols for producing such antibodies, *see, e.g.*, U.S. Patent 5,625,126; U.S. Patent 5,633,425; U.S. Patent 5,569,825; U.S. Patent 5,661,016; and U.S. Patent 5,545,806. In addition, companies such as Abgenix, Inc. (Fremont, CA), can be engaged to provide human antibodies directed against a selected antigen using technology similar to that described above.

Completely human antibodies which recognize a selected epitope can be generated using a technique referred to as "guided selection." In this approach a selected non-human monoclonal antibody, *e.g.*, a mouse antibody, is used to guide the selection of a completely human antibody recognizing the same epitope. (Jespers et al. (1994) *Bio/technology* 12:899-903).

An antibody directed against a polypeptide of the invention (*e.g.*, monoclonal antibody) can be used to isolate the polypeptide by standard techniques, such as affinity

chromatography or immunoprecipitation. Moreover, such an antibody can be used to detect the protein (*e.g.*, in a cellular lysate or cell supernatant) in order to evaluate the abundance and pattern of expression of the polypeptide. The antibodies can also be used diagnostically to monitor protein levels in tissue as part of a clinical testing procedure, *e.g.*, to, for

5 example, determine the efficacy of a given treatment regimen. Detection can be facilitated by coupling the antibody to a detectable substance. Examples of detectable substances include various enzymes, prosthetic groups, fluorescent materials, luminescent materials, bioluminescent materials, and radioactive materials. Examples of suitable enzymes include horseradish peroxidase, alkaline phosphatase, beta-galactosidase, or acetylcholinesterase;

10 examples of suitable prosthetic group complexes include streptavidin/biotin and avidin/biotin; examples of suitable fluorescent materials include umbelliferone, fluorescein, fluorescein isothiocyanate, rhodamine, dichlorotriazinylamine fluorescein, dansyl chloride or phycoerythrin; an example of a luminescent material includes luminol; examples of bioluminescent materials include luciferase, luciferin, and aequorin, and examples of

15 suitable radioactive material include ^{125}I , ^{131}I , ^{35}S or ^3H .

Further, an antibody (or fragment thereof) can be conjugated to a therapeutic moiety such as a cytotoxin, a therapeutic agent or a radioactive metal ion. A cytotoxin or cytotoxic agent includes any agent that is detrimental to cells. Examples include taxol, cytochalasin B, gramicidin D, ethidium bromide, emetine, mitomycin, etoposide, teniposide, vincristine,

20 vinblastine, colchicin, doxorubicin, daunorubicin, dihydroxy anthracin dione, mitoxantrone, mithramycin, actinomycin D, 1-dehydrotestosterone, glucocorticoids, procaine, tetracaine, lidocaine, propranolol, and puromycin and analogs or homologs thereof. Therapeutic agents include, but are not limited to, antimetabolites (*e.g.*, methotrexate, 6-mercaptopurine, 6-thioguanine, cytarabine, 5-fluorouracil decarbazine), alkylating agents

25 (*e.g.*, mechlorethamine, thioepa chlorambucil, melphalan, carmustine (BSNU) and lomustine (CCNU), cyclophosphamide, busulfan, dibromomannitol, streptozotocin, mitomycin C, and cis-dichlorodiamine platinum (II) (DDP) cisplatin), anthracyclines (*e.g.*, daunorubicin (formerly daunomycin) and doxorubicin), antibiotics (*e.g.*, dactinomycin (formerly actinomycin), bleomycin, mithramycin, and anthramycin (AMC)), and anti-

30 mitotic agents (*e.g.*, vincristine and vinblastine).

The conjugates of the invention can be used for modifying a given biological response, the drug moiety is not to be construed as limited to classical chemical therapeutic agents. For example, the drug moiety may be a protein or polypeptide possessing a desired biological activity. Such proteins may include, for example, a toxin such as abrin, ricin A,

35 pseudomonas exotoxin, or diphtheria toxin; a protein such as tumor necrosis factor, .alpha.-interferon, .beta.-interferon, nerve growth factor, platelet derived growth factor, tissue

plasminogen activator; or, biological response modifiers such as, for example, lymphokines, interleukin-1 ("IL-1"), interleukin-2 ("IL-2"), interleukin-6 ("IL-6"), granulocyte macrophage colony stimulating factor ("GM-CSF"), granulocyte colony stimulating factor ("G-CSF"), or other growth factors.

- 5 Techniques for conjugating such therapeutic moiety to antibodies are well known, see, *e.g.*, Arnon et al., "Monoclonal Antibodies For Immunotargeting Of Drugs In Cancer Therapy", in *Monoclonal Antibodies And Cancer Therapy*, Reisfeld et al. (eds.), pp. 243-56 (Alan R. Liss, Inc. 1985); Hellstrom et al., "Antibodies For Drug Delivery", in *Controlled Drug Delivery* (2nd Ed.), Robinson et al. (eds.), pp. 623-53 (Marcel Dekker, Inc. 1987);
- 10 Thorpe, "Antibody Carriers Of Cytotoxic Agents In Cancer Therapy: A Review", in *Monoclonal Antibodies '84: Biological And Clinical Applications*, Pinchera et al. (eds.), pp. 475-506 (1985); "Analysis, Results, And Future Prospective Of The Therapeutic Use Of Radiolabeled Antibody In Cancer Therapy", in *Monoclonal Antibodies For Cancer Detection And Therapy*, Baldwin et al. (eds.), pp. 303-16 (Academic Press 1985), and
- 15 Thorpe et al., "The Preparation And Cytotoxic Properties Of Antibody-Toxin Conjugates", *Immunol. Rev.*, 62:119-58 (1982).

Alternatively, an antibody can be conjugated to a second antibody to form an antibody heteroconjugate as described by Segal in U.S. Patent No. 4,676,980.

- Accordingly, in one aspect, the invention provides substantially purified antibodies
- 20 or fragment thereof, and non-human antibodies or fragments thereof, which antibodies or fragments specifically bind to a polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of: the amino acid sequence of any one of SEQ ID NOs:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, or an amino acid sequence encoded by the cDNA of a clone deposited as any of ATCC 98999, 202171, 98965, and 98966, respectively; a
- 25 fragment of at least 15 amino acid residues of the amino acid sequence of any one of SEQ ID NOs: 2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, an amino acid sequence which is at least 95% identical to the amino acid sequence of any one of SEQ ID NOs: 2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, wherein the percent identity is determined using the ALIGN program of the GCG software package with a PAM120 weight residue table, a
- 30 gap length penalty of 12, and a gap penalty of 4; and an amino acid sequence which is encoded by a nucleic acid molecule which hybridizes to the nucleic acid molecule consisting of any one of SEQ ID NOs:1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, or the cDNA of a clone deposited as any of ATCC 98999, 202171, 98965, and 98966, or a complement thereof, under conditions
- 35 of hybridization of 6X SSC at 45°C and washing in 0.2 X SSC, 0.1% SDS at 65°C. In

various embodiments, the substantially purified antibodies of the invention, or fragments thereof, can be human, non-human, chimeric and/or humanized antibodies.

In another aspect, the invention provides non-human antibodies or fragments thereof, which antibodies or fragments specifically bind to a polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of: the amino acid sequence of any one of SEQ ID NOs: 2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, or an amino acid sequence encoded by the cDNA of a clone deposited as any of ATCC 98999, 202171, 98965, and 98966, respectively; a fragment of at least 15 amino acid residues of the amino acid sequence of any one of SEQ ID NOs: 2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, an amino acid sequence which is at least 95% identical to the amino acid sequence of any one of SEQ ID NOs: 2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, wherein the percent identity is determined using the ALIGN program of the GCG software package with a PAM120 weight residue table, a gap length penalty of 12, and a gap penalty of 4; and an amino acid sequence which is encoded by a nucleic acid molecule which hybridizes to the nucleic acid molecule consisting of any one of SEQ ID NOs: 1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, or the cDNA of a clone deposited as any of ATCC 98999, 202171, 98965, and 98966, or a complement thereof, under conditions of hybridization of 6X SSC at 45°C and washing in 0.2 X SSC, 0.1% SDS at 65°C. Such non-human antibodies can be goat, mouse, sheep, horse, chicken, rabbit, or rat antibodies. Alternatively, the non-human antibodies of the invention can be chimeric and/or humanized antibodies. In addition, the non-human antibodies of the invention can be polyclonal antibodies or monoclonal antibodies.

In still a further aspect, the invention provides monoclonal antibodies or fragments thereof, which antibodies or fragments specifically bind to a polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of: the amino acid sequence of any one of SEQ ID NOs: 2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, or an amino acid sequence encoded by the cDNA of a clone deposited as any of ATCC 98999, 202171, 98965, and 98966, respectively; a fragment of at least 15 amino acid residues of the amino acid sequence of any one of SEQ ID NOs: 2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, an amino acid sequence which is at least 95% identical to the amino acid sequence of any one of SEQ ID NOs: 2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, wherein the percent identity is determined using the ALIGN program of the GCG software package with a PAM120 weight residue table, a gap length penalty of 12, and a gap penalty of 4; and an amino acid sequence which is encoded by a nucleic acid molecule which hybridizes to the nucleic acid molecule consisting of any one of SEQ ID NOs: 1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, or the cDNA of a

clone deposited as any of ATCC 98999, 202171, 98965, and 98966, or a complement thereof, under conditions of hybridization of 6X SSC at 45°C and washing in 0.2 X SSC, 0.1% SDS at 65°C. The monoclonal antibodies can be human, humanized, chimeric and/or non-human antibodies.

5 The substantially purified antibodies or fragments thereof specifically bind to a signal peptide, a secreted sequence, an extracellular domain, a transmembrane or a cytoplasmic domain cytoplasmic membrane of a polypeptide of the invention. In a particularly preferred embodiment, the substantially purified antibodies or fragments thereof, the non-human antibodies or fragments thereof, and/or the monoclonal antibodies
10 or fragments thereof, of the invention specifically bind to a secreted sequence or an extracellular domain of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NOs:2, 5, 9, 12, 15, 18, 66, 21, 126. Preferably, the secreted sequence or extracellular domain to which the antibody, or fragment thereof, binds comprises from about amino acids 23-345 of SEQ ID NO:2 (SEQ ID NO:), from amino acids 1-146 of SEQ ID NO:5 (SEQ ID NO:35), from about amino
15 acids 28-301 of SEQ ID NO:9 (SEQ ID NO:), from about amino acids 19-553 of SEQ ID NO:12 (SEQ ID NO:), from about amino acids 23-271 of SEQ ID NO:15 (SEQ ID NO:), from about amino acids 29-458 of SEQ ID NO:18 (SEQ ID NO:), from about amino acids 29-874 of SEQ ID NO:9 (SEQ ID NO:) and amino acid residues 1 to 146 of SEQ ID NO:35.

20 Any of the antibodies of the invention can be conjugated to a therapeutic moiety or to a detectable substance. Non-limiting examples of detectable substances that can be conjugated to the antibodies of the invention are an enzyme, a prosthetic group, a fluorescent material, a luminescent material, a bioluminescent material, and a radioactive material.

25 The invention also provides a kit containing an antibody of the invention conjugated to a detectable substance, and instructions for use. Still another aspect of the invention is a pharmaceutical composition comprising an antibody of the invention and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier. In preferred embodiments, the pharmaceutical composition contains an antibody of the invention, a therapeutic moiety, and a
30 pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

 Still another aspect of the invention is a method of making an antibody that specifically recognizes TANGO 128, TANGO 140, TANGO 197, TANGO 212, TANGO 213, TANGO 224, and TANGO 239, the method comprising immunizing a mammal with a polypeptide. The polypeptide used as an immungen comprises an amino acid sequence
35 selected from the group consisting of: the amino acid sequence of any one of SEQ ID NOs:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, or an amino acid sequence encoded

by the cDNA of a clone deposited as any of ATCC 98999, 202171, 98965, and 98966, respectively; a fragment of at least 15 amino acid residues of the amino acid sequence of any one of SEQ ID NOs: 2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, an amino acid sequence which is at least 95% identical to the amino acid sequence of any one of SEQ ID
5 NOs: 2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, wherein the percent identity is determined using the ALIGN program of the GCG software package with a PAM120 weight residue table, a gap length penalty of 12, and a gap penalty of 4; and an amino acid sequence which is encoded by a nucleic acid molecule which hybridizes to the nucleic acid molecule consisting of any one of SEQ ID NOs: 1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20,
10 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, or the cDNA of a clone deposited as any of ATCC 98999, 202171, 98965, and 98966, or a complement thereof, under conditions of hybridization of 6X SSC at 45°C and washing in 0.2 X SSC, 0.1% SDS at 65°C. After immunization, a sample is collected from the mammal that contains an antibody that specifically recognizes GPVI. Preferably, the polypeptide is recombinantly
15 produced using a non-human host cell. Optionally, the antibodies can be further purified from the sample using techniques well known to those of skill in the art. The method can further comprise producing a monoclonal antibody-producing cell from the cells of the mammal. Optionally, antibodies are collected from the antibody-producing cell.

20 III. Recombinant Expression Vectors and Host Cells

Another aspect of the invention pertains to vectors, preferably expression vectors, containing a nucleic acid encoding a polypeptide of the invention (or a portion thereof). As used herein, the term "vector" refers to a nucleic acid molecule capable of transporting another nucleic acid to which it has been linked. One type of vector is a "plasmid", which
25 refers to a circular double stranded DNA loop into which additional DNA segments can be ligated. Another type of vector is a viral vector, wherein additional DNA segments can be ligated into the viral genome. Certain vectors are capable of autonomous replication in a host cell into which they are introduced (e.g., bacterial vectors having a bacterial origin of replication and episomal mammalian vectors). Other vectors (e.g., non-episomal
30 mammalian vectors) are integrated into the genome of a host cell upon introduction into the host cell, and thereby are replicated along with the host genome. Moreover, certain vectors, expression vectors, are capable of directing the expression of genes to which they are operably linked. In general, expression vectors of utility in recombinant DNA techniques are often in the form of plasmids (vectors). However, the invention is intended to include
35 such other forms of expression vectors, such as viral vectors (e.g., replication defective retroviruses, adenoviruses and adeno-associated viruses), which serve equivalent functions.

The recombinant expression vectors of the invention comprise a nucleic acid of the invention in a form suitable for expression of the nucleic acid in a host cell. This means that the recombinant expression vectors include one or more regulatory sequences, selected on the basis of the host cells to be used for expression, which is operably linked to the

5 nucleic acid sequence to be expressed. Within a recombinant expression vector, "operably linked" is intended to mean that the nucleotide sequence of interest is linked to the regulatory sequence(s) in a manner which allows for expression of the nucleotide sequence (e.g., in an *in vitro* transcription/translation system or in a host cell when the vector is introduced into the host cell). The term "regulatory sequence" is intended to include

10 promoters, enhancers and other expression control elements (e.g., polyadenylation signals). Such regulatory sequences are described, for example, in Goeddel, *Gene Expression Technology: Methods in Enzymology* 185, Academic Press, San Diego, CA (1990). Regulatory sequences include those which direct constitutive expression of a nucleotide

15 sequence only in certain host cells (e.g., tissue-specific regulatory sequences). It will be appreciated by those skilled in the art that the design of the expression vector can depend on such factors as the choice of the host cell to be transformed, the level of expression of protein desired, etc. The expression vectors of the invention can be introduced into host cells to thereby produce proteins or peptides, including fusion proteins or peptides, encoded

20 by nucleic acids as described herein.

The recombinant expression vectors of the invention can be designed for expression of a polypeptide of the invention in prokaryotic (e.g., *E. coli*) or eukaryotic cells (e.g., insect cells (using baculovirus expression vectors), yeast cells or mammalian cells). Suitable host cells are discussed further in Goeddel, *supra*. Alternatively, the recombinant expression

25 vector can be transcribed and translated *in vitro*, for example using T7 promoter regulatory sequences and T7 polymerase.

Expression of proteins in prokaryotes is most often carried out in *E. coli* with vectors containing constitutive or inducible promoters directing the expression of either fusion or non-fusion proteins. Fusion vectors add a number of amino acids to a protein

30 encoded therein, usually to the amino terminus of the recombinant protein. Such fusion vectors typically serve three purposes: 1) to increase expression of recombinant protein; 2) to increase the solubility of the recombinant protein; and 3) to aid in the purification of the recombinant protein by acting as a ligand in affinity purification. Often, in fusion expression vectors, a proteolytic cleavage site is introduced at the junction of the fusion

35 moiety and the recombinant protein to enable separation of the recombinant protein from the fusion moiety subsequent to purification of the fusion protein. Such enzymes, and their

cognate recognition sequences, include Factor Xa, thrombin and enterokinase. Typical fusion expression vectors include pGEX (Pharmacia Biotech Inc; Smith and Johnson (1988) *Gene* 67:31-40), pMAL (New England Biolabs, Beverly, MA) and pRIT5 (Pharmacia, Piscataway, NJ) which fuse glutathione S-transferase (GST), maltose E binding protein, or protein A, respectively, to the target recombinant protein.

Examples of suitable inducible non-fusion *E. coli* expression vectors include pTrc (Amann et al., (1988) *Gene* 69:301-315) and pET 11d (Studier et al., *Gene Expression Technology: Methods in Enzymology* 185, Academic Press, San Diego, California (1990) 60-89). Target gene expression from the pTrc vector relies on host RNA polymerase transcription from a hybrid trp-lac fusion promoter. Target gene expression from the pET 11d vector relies on transcription from a T7 gn10-lac fusion promoter mediated by a coexpressed viral RNA polymerase (T7 gn1). This viral polymerase is supplied by host strains BL21(DE3) or HMS174(DE3) from a resident ϕ prophage harboring a T7 gn1 gene under the transcriptional control of the lacUV 5 promoter.

One strategy to maximize recombinant protein expression in *E. coli* is to express the protein in a host bacteria with an impaired capacity to proteolytically cleave the recombinant protein (Gottesman, *Gene Expression Technology: Methods in Enzymology* 185, Academic Press, San Diego, California (1990) 119-128). Another strategy is to alter the nucleic acid sequence of the nucleic acid to be inserted into an expression vector so that the individual codons for each amino acid are those preferentially utilized in *E. coli* (Wada et al. (1992) *Nucleic Acids Res.* 20:2111-2118). Such alteration of nucleic acid sequences of the invention can be carried out by standard DNA synthesis techniques.

In another embodiment, the expression vector is a yeast expression vector. Examples of vectors for expression in yeast *S. cerevisiae* include pYepSec1 (Baldari et al. (1987) *EMBO J.* 6:229-234), pMFa (Kurjan and Herskowitz, (1982) *Cell* 30:933-943), pJRY88 (Schultz et al. (1987) *Gene* 54:113-123), pYES2 (Invitrogen Corporation, San Diego, CA), and pPicZ (Invitrogen Corp, San Diego, CA).

Alternatively, the expression vector is a baculovirus expression vector. Baculovirus vectors available for expression of proteins in cultured insect cells (e.g., Sf 9 cells) include the pAc series (Smith et al. (1983) *Mol. Cell Biol.* 3:2156-2165) and the pVL series (Lucklow and Summers (1989) *Virology* 170:31-39).

In yet another embodiment, a nucleic acid of the invention is expressed in mammalian cells using a mammalian expression vector. Examples of mammalian expression vectors include pCDM8 (Seed (1987) *Nature* 329:840) and pMT2PC (Kaufman et al. (1987) *EMBO J.* 6:187-195). When used in mammalian cells, the expression vector's control functions are often provided by viral regulatory elements. For example, commonly

used promoters are derived from polyoma, Adenovirus 2, cytomegalovirus and Simian Virus 40. For other suitable expression systems for both prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells see chapters 16 and 17 of Sambrook et al., *supra*.

In another embodiment, the recombinant mammalian expression vector is capable of directing expression of the nucleic acid preferentially in a particular cell type (e.g., tissue-specific regulatory elements are used to express the nucleic acid). Tissue-specific regulatory elements are known in the art. Non-limiting examples of suitable tissue-specific promoters include the albumin promoter (liver-specific; Pinkert et al. (1987) *Genes Dev.* 1:268-277), lymphoid-specific promoters (Calame and Eaton (1988) *Adv. Immunol.* 43:235-275), in particular promoters of T cell receptors (Winoto and Baltimore (1989) *EMBO J.* 8:729-733) and immunoglobulins (Banerji et al. (1983) *Cell* 33:729-740; Queen and Baltimore (1983) *Cell* 33:741-748), neuron-specific promoters (e.g., the neurofilament promoter; Byrne and Ruddle (1989) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 86:5473-5477), pancreas-specific promoters (Edlund et al. (1985) *Science* 230:912-916), and mammary gland-specific promoters (e.g., milk whey promoter; U.S. Patent No. 4,873,316 and European Application Publication No. 264,166). Developmentally-regulated promoters are also encompassed, for example the murine hox promoters (Kessel and Gruss (1990) *Science* 249:374-379) and the α -fetoprotein promoter (Campes and Tilghman (1989) *Genes Dev.* 3:537-546).

The invention further provides a recombinant expression vector comprising a DNA molecule of the invention cloned into the expression vector in an antisense orientation. That is, the DNA molecule is operably linked to a regulatory sequence in a manner which allows for expression (by transcription of the DNA molecule) of an RNA molecule which is antisense to the mRNA encoding a polypeptide of the invention. Regulatory sequences operably linked to a nucleic acid cloned in the antisense orientation can be chosen which direct the continuous expression of the antisense RNA molecule in a variety of cell types, for instance viral promoters and/or enhancers, or regulatory sequences can be chosen which direct constitutive, tissue specific or cell type specific expression of antisense RNA. The antisense expression vector can be in the form of a recombinant plasmid, phagemid or attenuated virus in which antisense nucleic acids are produced under the control of a high efficiency regulatory region, the activity of which can be determined by the cell type into which the vector is introduced. For a discussion of the regulation of gene expression using antisense genes see Weintraub et al. (*Reviews - Trends in Genetics*, Vol. 1(1) 1986).

Another aspect of the invention pertains to host cells into which a recombinant expression vector of the invention has been introduced. The terms "host cell" and "recombinant host cell" are used interchangeably herein. It is understood that such terms

refer not only to the particular subject cell but to the progeny or potential progeny of such a cell. Because certain modifications may occur in succeeding generations due to either mutation or environmental influences, such progeny may not, in fact, be identical to the parent cell, but are still included within the scope of the term as used herein.

- 5 A host cell can be any prokaryotic (e.g., *E. coli*) or eukaryotic cell (e.g., insect cells, yeast or mammalian cells).

Vector DNA can be introduced into prokaryotic or eukaryotic cells via conventional transformation or transfection techniques. As used herein, the terms "transformation" and "transfection" are intended to refer to a variety of art-recognized techniques for introducing
10 foreign nucleic acid into a host cell, including calcium phosphate or calcium chloride co-precipitation, DEAE-dextran-mediated transfection, lipofection, or electroporation. Suitable methods for transforming or transfecting host cells can be found in Sambrook, et al. (*supra*), and other laboratory manuals.

For stable transfection of mammalian cells, it is known that, depending upon the
15 expression vector and transfection technique used, only a small fraction of cells may integrate the foreign DNA into their genome. In order to identify and select these integrants, a gene that encodes a selectable marker (e.g., for resistance to antibiotics) is generally introduced into the host cells along with the gene of interest. Preferred selectable markers include those which confer resistance to drugs, such as G418, hygromycin and
20 methotrexate. Cells stably transfected with the introduced nucleic acid can be identified by drug selection (e.g., cells that have incorporated the selectable marker gene will survive, while the other cells die).

In another embodiment, the expression characteristics of an endogenous (e.g., TANGO 128, TANGO 140, TANGO 197, TANGO 212, TANGO 213, TANGO 224, and
25 TANGO 239) nucleic acid within a cell, cell line or microorganism may be modified by inserting a DNA regulatory element heterologous to the endogenous gene of interest into the genome of a cell, stable cell line or cloned microorganism such that the inserted regulatory element is operatively linked with the endogenous gene (e.g., TANGO 128, TANGO 140, TANGO 197, TANGO 212, TANGO 213, TANGO 224, and TANGO 239)
30 and controls, modulates or activates the endogenous gene. For example, endogenous TANGO 128, TANGO 140, TANGO 197, TANGO 212, TANGO 213, TANGO 224, and TANGO 239 which are normally "transcriptionally silent", *i.e.*, TANGO 128, TANGO 140, TANGO 197, TANGO 212, TANGO 213, TANGO 224, and TANGO 239 genes which are normally not expressed, or are expressed only at very low levels in a cell line or
35 microorganism, may be activated by inserting a regulatory element which is capable of promoting the expression of a normally expressed gene product in that cell line or

microorganism. Alternatively, transcriptionally silent, endogenous TANGO 128, TANGO 140, TANGO 197, TANGO 212, TANGO 213, TANGO 224, and TANGO 239 genes may be activated by insertion of a promiscuous regulatory element that works across cell types.

A heterologous regulatory element may be inserted into a stable cell line or cloned
5 microorganism, such that it is operatively linked with and activates expression of
endogenous TANGO 128, TANGO 140, TANGO 197, TANGO 212, TANGO 213,
TANGO 224, and TANGO 239 genes, using techniques, such as targeted homologous
recombination, which are well known to those of skill in the art, and described *e.g.*, in
Chappel, U.S. Patent No. 5,272,071; PCT publication No. WO 91/06667, published May
10 16, 1991.

A host cell of the invention, such as a prokaryotic or eukaryotic host cell in culture,
can be used to produce a polypeptide of the invention. Accordingly, the invention further
provides methods for producing a polypeptide of the invention using the host cells of the
invention. In one embodiment, the method comprises culturing the host cell of invention
15 (into which a recombinant expression vector encoding a polypeptide of the invention has
been introduced) in a suitable medium such that the polypeptide is produced. In another
embodiment, the method further comprises isolating the polypeptide from the medium or
the host cell.

The host cells of the invention can also be used to produce nonhuman transgenic
20 animals. For example, in one embodiment, a host cell of the invention is a fertilized oocyte
or an embryonic stem cell into which a sequences encoding a polypeptide of the invention
have been introduced. Such host cells can then be used to create non-human transgenic
animals in which exogenous sequences encoding a polypeptide of the invention have been
introduced into their genome or homologous recombinant animals in which endogenous
25 encoding a polypeptide of the invention sequences have been altered. Such animals are
useful for studying the function and/or activity of the polypeptide and for identifying and/or
evaluating modulators of polypeptide activity. As used herein, a "transgenic animal" is a
non-human animal, preferably a mammal, more preferably a rodent such as a rat or mouse,
in which one or more of the cells of the animal includes a transgene. Other examples of
30 transgenic animals include non-human primates, sheep, dogs, cows, goats, chickens,
amphibians, etc. A transgene is exogenous DNA which is integrated into the genome of a
cell from which a transgenic animal develops and which remains in the genome of the
mature animal, thereby directing the expression of an encoded gene product in one or more
cell types or tissues of the transgenic animal. As used herein, an "homologous recombinant
35 animal" is a non-human animal, preferably a mammal, more preferably a mouse, in which
an endogenous gene has been altered by homologous recombination between the

endogenous gene and an exogenous DNA molecule introduced into a cell of the animal, e.g., an embryonic cell of the animal, prior to development of the animal.

5 A transgenic animal of the invention can be created by introducing nucleic acid encoding a polypeptide of the invention (or a homologue thereof) into the male pronuclei of a fertilized oocyte, e.g., by microinjection, retroviral infection, and allowing the oocyte to develop in a pseudopregnant female foster animal. Intronic sequences and polyadenylation signals can also be included in the transgene to increase the efficiency of expression of the transgene. A tissue-specific regulatory sequence(s) can be operably linked to the transgene to direct expression of the polypeptide of the invention to particular cells. Methods for
10 generating transgenic animals via embryo manipulation and microinjection, particularly animals such as mice, have become conventional in the art and are described, for example, in U.S. Patent NOS. 4,736,866 and 4,870,009, U.S. Patent No. 4,873,191 and in Hogan, *Manipulating the Mouse Embryo*, (Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, Cold Spring Harbor, N.Y., 1986). Similar methods are used for production of other transgenic animals.
15 A transgenic founder animal can be identified based upon the presence of the transgene in its genome and/or expression of mRNA encoding the transgene in tissues or cells of the animals. A transgenic founder animal can then be used to breed additional animals carrying the transgene. Moreover, transgenic animals carrying the transgene can further be bred to other transgenic animals carrying other transgenes.

20 To create an homologous recombinant animal, a vector is prepared which contains at least a portion of a gene encoding a polypeptide of the invention into which a deletion, addition or substitution has been introduced to thereby alter, e.g., functionally disrupt, the gene. In a preferred embodiment, the vector is designed such that, upon homologous recombination, the endogenous gene is functionally disrupted (i.e., no longer encodes a
25 functional protein; also referred to as a "knock out" vector). Alternatively, the vector can be designed such that, upon homologous recombination, the endogenous gene is mutated or otherwise altered but still encodes functional protein (e.g., the upstream regulatory region can be altered to thereby alter the expression of the endogenous protein). In the homologous recombination vector, the altered portion of the gene is flanked at its 5' and 3'
30 ends by additional nucleic acid of the gene to allow for homologous recombination to occur between the exogenous gene carried by the vector and an endogenous gene in an embryonic stem cell. The additional flanking nucleic acid sequences are of sufficient length for successful homologous recombination with the endogenous gene. Typically, several kilobases of flanking DNA (both at the 5' and 3' ends) are included in the vector (*see, e.g.*,
35 Thomas and Capecchi (1987) *Cell* 51:503 for a description of homologous recombination vectors). The vector is introduced into an embryonic stem cell line (e.g., by electroporation)

and cells in which the introduced gene has homologously recombined with the endogenous gene are selected (*see, e.g.,* Li et al. (1992) *Cell* 69:915). The selected cells are then injected into a blastocyst of an animal (*e.g.,* a mouse) to form aggregation chimeras (*see, e.g.,* Bradley in *Teratocarcinomas and Embryonic Stem Cells: A Practical Approach*, Robertson, ed. (IRL, Oxford, 1987) pp. 113-152). A chimeric embryo can then be implanted into a suitable pseudopregnant female foster animal and the embryo brought to term. Progeny harboring the homologously recombined DNA in their germ cells can be used to breed animals in which all cells of the animal contain the homologously recombined DNA by germline transmission of the transgene. Methods for constructing homologous recombination vectors and homologous recombinant animals are described further in Bradley (1991) *Current Opinion in Bio/Technology* 2:823-829 and in PCT Publication NOS. WO 90/11354, WO 91/01140, WO 92/0968, and WO 93/04169.

In another embodiment, transgenic non-human animals can be produced which contain selected systems which allow for regulated expression of the transgene. One example of such a system is the *cre/loxP* recombinase system of bacteriophage P1. For a description of the *cre/loxP* recombinase system, *see, e.g.,* Lakso et al. (1992) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 89:6232-6236. Another example of a recombinase system is the FLP recombinase system of *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* (O'Gorman et al. (1991) *Science* 251:1351-1355. If a *cre/loxP* recombinase system is used to regulate expression of the transgene, animals containing transgenes encoding both the *Cre* recombinase and a selected protein are required. Such animals can be provided through the construction of "double" transgenic animals, *e.g.,* by mating two transgenic animals, one containing a transgene encoding a selected protein and the other containing a transgene encoding a recombinase.

Clones of the non-human transgenic animals described herein can also be produced according to the methods described in Wilmut et al. (1997) *Nature* 385:810-813 and PCT Publication NOS. WO 97/07668 and WO 97/07669.

IV. Pharmaceutical Compositions

The nucleic acid molecules, polypeptides, and antibodies (also referred to herein as "active compounds") of the invention can be incorporated into pharmaceutical compositions suitable for administration. Such compositions typically comprise the nucleic acid molecule, protein, or antibody and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier. As used herein the language "pharmaceutically acceptable carrier" is intended to include any and all solvents, dispersion media, coatings, antibacterial and antifungal agents, isotonic and absorption delaying agents, and the like, compatible with pharmaceutical administration. The use of such media and agents for pharmaceutically active substances is well known in

the art. Except insofar as any conventional media or agent is incompatible with the active compound, use thereof in the compositions is contemplated. Supplementary active compounds can also be incorporated into the compositions.

The invention includes methods for preparing pharmaceutical compositions for
5 modulating the expression or activity of a polypeptide or nucleic acid of the invention. Such methods comprise formulating a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier with an agent which modulates expression or activity of a polypeptide or nucleic acid of the invention. Such compositions can further include additional active agents. Thus, the invention further includes methods for preparing a pharmaceutical composition by formulating a
10 pharmaceutically acceptable carrier with an agent which modulates expression or activity of a polypeptide or nucleic acid of the invention and one or more additional active compounds.

A pharmaceutical composition of the invention is formulated to be compatible with its intended route of administration. Examples of routes of administration include parenteral, e.g., intravenous, intradermal, subcutaneous, oral (e.g., inhalation), transdermal
15 (topical), transmucosal, and rectal administration. Solutions or suspensions used for parenteral, intradermal, or subcutaneous application can include the following components: a sterile diluent such as water for injection, saline solution, fixed oils, polyethylene glycols, glycerine, propylene glycol or other synthetic solvents; antibacterial agents such as benzyl alcohol or methyl parabens; antioxidants such as ascorbic acid or sodium bisulfite; chelating
20 agents such as ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid; buffers such as acetates, citrates or phosphates and agents for the adjustment of tonicity such as sodium chloride or dextrose. pH can be adjusted with acids or bases, such as hydrochloric acid or sodium hydroxide. The parenteral preparation can be enclosed in ampoules, disposable syringes or multiple dose vials made of glass or plastic.

25 Pharmaceutical compositions suitable for injectable use include sterile aqueous solutions (where water soluble) or dispersions and sterile powders for the extemporaneous preparation of sterile injectable solutions or dispersions. For intravenous administration, suitable carriers include physiological saline, bacteriostatic water, Cremophor EL (BASF; Parsippany, NJ) or phosphate buffered saline (PBS). In all cases, the composition must be
30 sterile and should be fluid to the extent that easy syringability exists. It must be stable under the conditions of manufacture and storage and must be preserved against the contaminating action of microorganisms such as bacteria and fungi. The carrier can be a solvent or dispersion medium containing, for example, water, ethanol, polyol (for example, glycerol, propylene glycol, and liquid polyethylene glycol, and the like), and suitable
35 mixtures thereof. The proper fluidity can be maintained, for example, by the use of a coating such as lecithin, by the maintenance of the required particle size in the case of

dispersion and by the use of surfactants. Prevention of the action of microorganisms can be achieved by various antibacterial and antifungal agents, for example, parabens, chlorobutanol, phenol, ascorbic acid, thimerosal, and the like. In many cases, it will be preferable to include isotonic agents, for example, sugars, polyalcohols such as mannitol, sorbitol, sodium chloride in the composition. Prolonged absorption of the injectable compositions can be brought about by including in the composition an agent which delays absorption, for example, aluminum monostearate and gelatin.

Sterile injectable solutions can be prepared by incorporating the active compound (e.g., a polypeptide or antibody) in the required amount in an appropriate solvent with one or a combination of ingredients enumerated above, as required, followed by filtered sterilization. Generally, dispersions are prepared by incorporating the active compound into a sterile vehicle which contains a basic dispersion medium and the required other ingredients from those enumerated above. In the case of sterile powders for the preparation of sterile injectable solutions, the preferred methods of preparation are vacuum drying and freeze-drying which yields a powder of the active ingredient plus any additional desired ingredient from a previously sterile-filtered solution thereof.

Oral compositions generally include an inert diluent or an edible carrier. They can be enclosed in gelatin capsules or compressed into tablets. For the purpose of oral therapeutic administration, the active compound can be incorporated with excipients and used in the form of tablets, troches, or capsules. Oral compositions can also be prepared using a fluid carrier for use as a mouthwash, wherein the compound in the fluid carrier is applied orally and swished and expectorated or swallowed.

Pharmaceutically compatible binding agents, and/or adjuvant materials can be included as part of the composition. The tablets, pills, capsules, troches and the like can contain any of the following ingredients, or compounds of a similar nature: a binder such as microcrystalline cellulose, gum tragacanth or gelatin; an excipient such as starch or lactose, a disintegrating agent such as alginic acid, Primogel, or corn starch; a lubricant such as magnesium stearate or Sterotes; a glidant such as colloidal silicon dioxide; a sweetening agent such as sucrose or saccharin; or a flavoring agent such as peppermint, methyl salicylate, or orange flavoring.

For administration by inhalation, the compounds are delivered in the form of an aerosol spray from a pressurized container or dispenser which contains a suitable propellant, e.g., a gas such as carbon dioxide, or a nebulizer.

Systemic administration can also be by transmucosal or transdermal means. For transmucosal or transdermal administration, penetrants appropriate to the barrier to be permeated are used in the formulation. Such penetrants are generally known in the art, and

include, for example, for transmucosal administration, detergents, bile salts, and fusidic acid derivatives. Transmucosal administration can be accomplished through the use of nasal sprays or suppositories. For transdermal administration, the active compounds are formulated into ointments, salves, gels, or creams as generally known in the art.

- 5 The compounds can also be prepared in the form of suppositories (e.g., with conventional suppository bases such as cocoa butter and other glycerides) or retention enemas for rectal delivery.

 In one embodiment, the active compounds are prepared with carriers that will protect the compound against rapid elimination from the body, such as a controlled release
10 formulation, including implants and microencapsulated delivery systems. Biodegradable, biocompatible polymers can be used, such as ethylene vinyl acetate, polyanhydrides, polyglycolic acid, collagen, polyorthoesters, and polylactic acid. Methods for preparation of such formulations will be apparent to those skilled in the art. The materials can also be obtained commercially from Alza Corporation and Nova Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Liposomal
15 suspensions (including liposomes targeted to infected cells with monoclonal antibodies to viral antigens) can also be used as pharmaceutically acceptable carriers. These can be prepared according to methods known to those skilled in the art, for example, as described in U.S. Patent No. 4,522,811.

 It is especially advantageous to formulate oral or parenteral compositions in dosage
20 unit form for ease of administration and uniformity of dosage. Dosage unit form as used herein refers to physically discrete units suited as unitary dosages for the subject to be treated; each unit containing a predetermined quantity of active compound calculated to produce the desired therapeutic effect in association with the required pharmaceutical carrier. The specification for the dosage unit forms of the invention are dictated by and
25 directly dependent on the unique characteristics of the active compound and the particular therapeutic effect to be achieved, and the limitations inherent in the art of compounding such an active compound for the treatment of individuals.

 For antibodies, the preferred dosage is 0.1 mg/kg to 100 mg/kg of body weight (generally 10 mg/kg to 20 mg/kg). If the antibody is to act in the brain, a dosage of 50
30 mg/kg to 100 mg/kg is usually appropriate. Generally, partially human antibodies and fully human antibodies have a longer half-life within the human body than other antibodies. Accordingly, lower dosages and less frequent administration is often possible. Modifications such as lipidation can be used to stabilize antibodies and to enhance uptake and tissue penetration (e.g., into the brain). A method for lipidation of antibodies is
35 described by Cruikshank et al. ((1997) *J. Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndromes and Human Retrovirology* 14:193).

The nucleic acid molecules of the invention can be inserted into vectors and used as gene therapy vectors. Gene therapy vectors can be delivered to a subject by, for example, intravenous injection, local administration (U.S. Patent 5,328,470) or by stereotactic injection (*see, e.g.,* Chen et al. (1994) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 91:3054-3057). The pharmaceutical preparation of the gene therapy vector can include the gene therapy vector in an acceptable diluent, or can comprise a slow release matrix in which the gene delivery vehicle is imbedded. Alternatively, where the complete gene delivery vector can be produced intact from recombinant cells, e.g. retroviral vectors, the pharmaceutical preparation can include one or more cells which produce the gene delivery system.

The pharmaceutical compositions can be included in a container, pack, or dispenser together with instructions for administration.

V. Uses and Methods of the Invention

The nucleic acid molecules, proteins, protein homologues, and antibodies described herein can be used in one or more of the following methods: a) screening assays; b) detection assays (e.g., chromosomal mapping, tissue typing, forensic biology); c) predictive medicine (e.g., diagnostic assays, prognostic assays, monitoring clinical trials, and pharmacogenomics); and d) methods of treatment (e.g., therapeutic and prophylactic). For example, polypeptides of the invention can be used to (i) modulate cellular proliferation; (ii) modulate cell migration and chemotaxis; (iii) modulate cellular differentiation; and/or (iv) modulate angiogenesis. The isolated nucleic acid molecules of the invention can be used to express proteins (e.g., via a recombinant expression vector in a host cell in gene therapy applications), to detect mRNA (e.g., in a biological sample) or a genetic lesion, and to modulate activity of a polypeptide of the invention. In addition, the polypeptides of the invention can be used to screen drugs or compounds which modulate activity or expression of a polypeptide of the invention as well as to treat disorders characterized by insufficient or excessive production of a protein of the invention or production of a form of a protein of the invention which has decreased or aberrant activity compared to the wild type protein. In addition, the antibodies of the invention can be used to detect and isolate a protein of the invention and modulate activity of a protein of the invention.

This invention further pertains to novel agents identified by the above-described screening assays and uses thereof for treatments as described herein.

A. Screening Assays

The invention provides a method (also referred to herein as a "screening assay") for identifying modulators, i.e., candidate or test compounds or agents (e.g., peptides,

peptidomimetics, small molecules or other drugs) which bind to polypeptide of the invention or have a stimulatory or inhibitory effect on, for example, expression or activity of a polypeptide of the invention.

In one embodiment, the invention provides assays for screening candidate or test compounds which bind to or modulate the activity of the membrane-bound form of a polypeptide of the invention or biologically active portion thereof. The test compounds of the present invention can be obtained using any of the numerous approaches in combinatorial library methods known in the art, including: biological libraries; spatially addressable parallel solid phase or solution phase libraries; synthetic library methods requiring deconvolution; the "one-bead one-compound" library method; and synthetic library methods using affinity chromatography selection. The biological library approach is limited to peptide libraries, while the other four approaches are applicable to peptide, non-peptide oligomer or small molecule libraries of compounds (Lam (1997) *Anticancer Drug Des.* 12:145).

Examples of methods for the synthesis of molecular libraries can be found in the art, for example in: DeWitt et al. (1993) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 90:6909; Erb et al. (1994) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 91:11422; Zuckermann et al. (1994). *J. Med. Chem.* 37:2678; Cho et al. (1993) *Science* 261:1303; Carrell et al. (1994) *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. Engl.* 33:2059; Carrell et al. (1994) *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. Engl.* 33:2061; and Gallop et al. (1994) *J. Med. Chem.* 37:1233.

Libraries of compounds may be presented in solution (e.g., Houghten (1992) *Bio/Techniques* 13:412-421), or on beads (Lam (1991) *Nature* 354:82-84), chips (Fodor (1993) *Nature* 364:555-556), bacteria (U.S. Patent No. 5,223,409), spores (Patent NOS. 5,571,698; 5,403,484; and 5,223,409), plasmids (Cull et al. (1992) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 89:1865-1869) or phage (Scott and Smith (1990) *Science* 249:386-390; Devlin (1990) *Science* 249:404-406; Cwirla et al. (1990) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 87:6378-6382; and Felici (1991) *J. Mol. Biol.* 222:301-310).

In one embodiment, an assay is a cell-based assay in which a cell which expresses a membrane-bound form of a polypeptide of the invention, or a biologically active portion thereof, on the cell surface is contacted with a test compound and the ability of the test compound to bind to the polypeptide determined. The cell, for example, can be a yeast cell or a cell of mammalian origin. Determining the ability of the test compound to bind to the polypeptide can be accomplished, for example, by coupling the test compound with a radioisotope or enzymatic label such that binding of the test compound to the polypeptide or biologically active portion thereof can be determined by detecting the labeled compound in a complex. For example, test compounds can be labeled with ^{125}I , ^{35}S , ^{14}C , or ^3H , either

directly or indirectly, and the radioisotope detected by direct counting of radioemmission or by scintillation counting. Alternatively, test compounds can be enzymatically labeled with, for example, horseradish peroxidase, alkaline phosphatase, or luciferase, and the enzymatic label detected by determination of conversion of an appropriate substrate to product. In a preferred embodiment, the assay comprises contacting a cell which expresses a membrane-bound form of a polypeptide of the invention, or a biologically active portion thereof, on the cell surface with a known compound which binds the polypeptide to form an assay mixture, contacting the assay mixture with a test compound, and determining the ability of the test compound to interact with the polypeptide, wherein determining the ability of the test compound to interact with the polypeptide comprises determining the ability of the test compound to preferentially bind to the polypeptide or a biologically active portion thereof as compared to the known compound.

In another embodiment, an assay is a cell-based assay comprising contacting a cell expressing a membrane-bound form of a polypeptide of the invention, or a biologically active portion thereof, on the cell surface with a test compound and determining the ability of the test compound to modulate (e.g., stimulate or inhibit) the activity of the polypeptide or biologically active portion thereof. Determining the ability of the test compound to modulate the activity of the polypeptide or a biologically active portion thereof can be accomplished, for example, by determining the ability of the polypeptide protein to bind to or interact with a target molecule.

Determining the ability of a polypeptide of the invention to bind to or interact with a target molecule can be accomplished by one of the methods described above for determining direct binding. As used herein, a "target molecule" is a molecule with which a selected polypeptide (e.g., a polypeptide of the invention binds or interacts with in nature, for example, a molecule on the surface of a cell which expresses the selected protein, a molecule on the surface of a second cell, a molecule in the extracellular milieu, a molecule associated with the internal surface of a cell membrane or a cytoplasmic molecule. A target molecule can be a polypeptide of the invention or some other polypeptide or protein. For example, a target molecule can be a component of a signal transduction pathway which facilitates transduction of an extracellular signal (e.g., a signal generated by binding of a compound to a polypeptide of the invention) through the cell membrane and into the cell or a second intercellular protein which has catalytic activity or a protein which facilitates the association of downstream signaling molecules with a polypeptide of the invention.

Determining the ability of a polypeptide of the invention to bind to or interact with a target molecule can be accomplished by determining the activity of the target molecule. For example, the activity of the target molecule can be determined by detecting induction of a

cellular second messenger of the target (e.g., intracellular Ca^{2+} , diacylglycerol, IP3, etc.), detecting catalytic/enzymatic activity of the target on an appropriate substrate, detecting the induction of a reporter gene (e.g., a regulatory element that is responsive to a polypeptide of the invention operably linked to a nucleic acid encoding a detectable marker, e.g.

- 5 luciferase), or detecting a cellular response, for example, cellular differentiation, or cell proliferation.

In yet another embodiment, an assay of the present invention is a cell-free assay comprising contacting a polypeptide of the invention or biologically active portion thereof with a test compound and determining the ability of the test compound to bind to the
10 polypeptide or biologically active portion thereof. Binding of the test compound to the polypeptide can be determined either directly or indirectly as described above. In a preferred embodiment, the assay includes contacting the polypeptide of the invention or biologically active portion thereof with a known compound which binds the polypeptide to form an assay mixture, contacting the assay mixture with a test compound, and determining
15 the ability of the test compound to interact with the polypeptide, wherein determining the ability of the test compound to interact with the polypeptide comprises determining the ability of the test compound to preferentially bind to the polypeptide or biologically active portion thereof as compared to the known compound.

In another embodiment, an assay is a cell-free assay comprising contacting a
20 polypeptide of the invention or biologically active portion thereof with a test compound and determining the ability of the test compound to modulate (e.g., stimulate or inhibit) the activity of the polypeptide or biologically active portion thereof. Determining the ability of the test compound to modulate the activity of the polypeptide can be accomplished, for example, by determining the ability of the polypeptide to bind to a target molecule by one
25 of the methods described above for determining direct binding. In an alternative embodiment, determining the ability of the test compound to modulate the activity of the polypeptide can be accomplished by determining the ability of the polypeptide of the invention to further modulate the target molecule. For example, the catalytic/enzymatic activity of the target molecule on an appropriate substrate can be determined as previously
30 described.

In yet another embodiment, the cell-free assay comprises contacting a polypeptide of the invention or biologically active portion thereof with a known compound which binds the polypeptide to form an assay mixture, contacting the assay mixture with a test compound, and determining the ability of the test compound to interact with the polypeptide, wherein
35 determining the ability of the test compound to interact with the polypeptide comprises

determining the ability of the polypeptide to preferentially bind to or modulate the activity of a target molecule.

The cell-free assays of the present invention are amenable to use of both a soluble form or the membrane-bound form of a polypeptide of the invention. In the case of cell-free
5 assays comprising the membrane-bound form of the polypeptide, it may be desirable to utilize a solubilizing agent such that the membrane-bound form of the polypeptide is maintained in solution. Examples of such solubilizing agents include non-ionic detergents such as n-octylglucoside, n-dodecylglucoside, n-octylmaltoside, octanoyl-N-methylglucamide, decanoyl-N-methylglucamide, Triton X-100, Triton X-114, Thesit,
10 Isotridecypoly(ethylene glycol ether)n, 3-[(3-cholamidopropyl)dimethylamminio]-1-propane sulfonate (CHAPS), 3-[(3-cholamidopropyl)dimethylamminio]-2-hydroxy-1-propane sulfonate (CHAPSO), or N-dodecyl=N,N-dimethyl-3-ammonio-1-propane sulfonate.

In more than one embodiment of the above assay methods of the present invention,
15 it may be desirable to immobilize either the polypeptide of the invention or its target molecule to facilitate separation of complexed from uncomplexed forms of one or both of the proteins, as well as to accommodate automation of the assay. Binding of a test compound to the polypeptide, or interaction of the polypeptide with a target molecule in the presence and absence of a candidate compound, can be accomplished in any vessel suitable
20 for containing the reactants. Examples of such vessels include microtitre plates, test tubes, and micro-centrifuge tubes. In one embodiment, a fusion protein can be provided which adds a domain that allows one or both of the proteins to be bound to a matrix. For example, glutathione-S-transferase fusion proteins or glutathione-S-transferase fusion proteins can be adsorbed onto glutathione sepharose beads (Sigma Chemical; St. Louis, MO) or glutathione
25 derivatized microtitre plates, which are then combined with the test compound or the test compound and either the non-adsorbed target protein or A polypeptide of the invention, and the mixture incubated under conditions conducive to complex formation (e.g., at physiological conditions for salt and pH). Following incubation, the beads or microtitre plate wells are washed to remove any unbound components and complex formation is
30 measured either directly or indirectly, for example, as described above. Alternatively, the complexes can be dissociated from the matrix, and the level of binding or activity of the polypeptide of the invention can be determined using standard techniques.

Other techniques for immobilizing proteins on matrices can also be used in the screening assays of the invention. For example, either the polypeptide of the invention or
35 its target molecule can be immobilized utilizing conjugation of biotin and streptavidin. Biotinylated polypeptide of the invention or target molecules can be prepared from biotin-

NHS (N-hydroxy-succinimide) using techniques well known in the art (e.g., biotinylation kit, Pierce Chemicals; Rockford, IL), and immobilized in the wells of streptavidin-coated 96 well plates (Pierce Chemical). Alternatively, antibodies reactive with the polypeptide of the invention or target molecules but which do not interfere with binding of the polypeptide of the invention to its target molecule can be derivatized to the wells of the plate, and unbound target or polypeptide of the invention trapped in the wells by antibody conjugation. Methods for detecting such complexes, in addition to those described above for the GST-immobilized complexes, include immunodetection of complexes using antibodies reactive with the polypeptide of the invention or target molecule, as well as enzyme-linked assays which rely on detecting an enzymatic activity associated with the polypeptide of the invention or target molecule.

In another embodiment, modulators of expression of a polypeptide of the invention are identified in a method in which a cell is contacted with a candidate compound and the expression of the selected mRNA or protein (i.e., the mRNA or protein corresponding to a polypeptide or nucleic acid of the invention) in the cell is determined. The level of expression of the selected mRNA or protein in the presence of the candidate compound is compared to the level of expression of the selected mRNA or protein in the absence of the candidate compound. The candidate compound can then be identified as a modulator of expression of the polypeptide of the invention based on this comparison. For example, when expression of the selected mRNA or protein is greater (statistically significantly greater) in the presence of the candidate compound than in its absence, the candidate compound is identified as a stimulator of the selected mRNA or protein expression. Alternatively, when expression of the selected mRNA or protein is less (statistically significantly less) in the presence of the candidate compound than in its absence, the candidate compound is identified as an inhibitor of the selected mRNA or protein expression. The level of the selected mRNA or protein expression in the cells can be determined by methods described herein.

In yet another aspect of the invention, a polypeptide of the inventions can be used as "bait proteins" in a two-hybrid assay or three hybrid assay (see, e.g., U.S. Patent No. 5,283,317; Zervos et al. (1993) *Cell* 72:223-232; Madura et al. (1993) *J. Biol. Chem.* 268:12046-12054; Bartel et al. (1993) *Bio/Techniques* 14:920-924; Iwabuchi et al. (1993) *Oncogene* 8:1693-1696; and PCT Publication No. WO 94/10300), to identify other proteins, which bind to or interact with the polypeptide of the invention and modulate activity of the polypeptide of the invention. Such binding proteins are also likely to be involved in the propagation of signals by the polypeptide of the inventions as, for example, upstream or downstream elements of a signaling pathway involving the polypeptide of the invention.

This invention further pertains to novel agents identified by the above-described screening assays and uses thereof for treatments as described herein.

B. Detection Assays

5 Portions or fragments of the cDNA sequences identified herein (and the corresponding complete gene sequences) can be used in numerous ways as polynucleotide reagents. For example, these sequences can be used to: (i) map their respective genes on a chromosome and, thus, locate gene regions associated with genetic disease; (ii) identify an individual from a minute biological sample (tissue typing); and (iii) aid in forensic
10 identification of a biological sample. These applications are described in the subsections below.

1. Chromosome Mapping

15 Once the sequence (or a portion of the sequence) of a gene has been isolated, this sequence can be used to map the location of the gene on a chromosome. Accordingly, nucleic acid molecules described herein or fragments thereof, can be used to map the location of the corresponding genes on a chromosome. The mapping of the sequences to chromosomes is an important first step in correlating these sequences with genes associated with disease.

20 Briefly, genes can be mapped to chromosomes by preparing PCR primers (preferably 15-25 bp in length) from the sequence of a gene of the invention. Computer analysis of the sequence of a gene of the invention can be used to rapidly select primers that do not span more than one exon in the genomic DNA, thus complicating the amplification process. These primers can then be used for PCR screening of somatic cell hybrids
25 containing individual human chromosomes. Only those hybrids containing the human gene corresponding to the gene sequences will yield an amplified fragment. For a review of this technique, see D'Eustachio et al. ((1983) *Science* 220:919-924).

30 PCR mapping of somatic cell hybrids is a rapid procedure for assigning a particular sequence to a particular chromosome. Three or more sequences can be assigned per day using a single thermal cycler. Using the nucleic acid sequences of the invention to design oligonucleotide primers, sublocalization can be achieved with panels of fragments from specific chromosomes. Other mapping strategies which can similarly be used to map a gene to its chromosome include *in situ* hybridization (described in Fan et al. (1990) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 87:6223-27), pre-screening with labeled flow-sorted chromosomes, and pre-
35 selection by hybridization to chromosome specific cDNA libraries. Fluorescence *in situ* hybridization (FISH) of a DNA sequence to a metaphase chromosomal spread can further

be used to provide a precise chromosomal location in one step. For a review of this technique, see Verma et al. (Human Chromosomes: A Manual of Basic Techniques (Pergamon Press, New York, 1988)).

Reagents for chromosome mapping can be used individually to mark a single chromosome or a single site on that chromosome, or panels of reagents can be used for marking multiple sites and/or multiple chromosomes. Reagents corresponding to noncoding regions of the genes actually are preferred for mapping purposes. Coding sequences are more likely to be conserved within gene families, thus increasing the chance of cross hybridizations during chromosomal mapping.

Once a sequence has been mapped to a precise chromosomal location, the physical position of the sequence on the chromosome can be correlated with genetic map data. (Such data are found, for example, in V. McKusick, Mendelian Inheritance in Man, available on-line through Johns Hopkins University Welch Medical Library). The relationship between genes and disease, mapped to the same chromosomal region, can then be identified through linkage analysis (co-inheritance of physically adjacent genes), described in, e.g., Egeland et al. (1987) *Nature* 325:783-787.

Moreover, differences in the DNA sequences between individuals affected and unaffected with a disease associated with a gene of the invention can be determined. If a mutation is observed in some or all of the affected individuals but not in any unaffected individuals, then the mutation is likely to be the causative agent of the particular disease. Comparison of affected and unaffected individuals generally involves first looking for structural alterations in the chromosomes such as deletions or translocations that are visible from chromosome spreads or detectable using PCR based on that DNA sequence. Ultimately, complete sequencing of genes from several individuals can be performed to confirm the presence of a mutation and to distinguish mutations from polymorphisms.

In the instant case, the human gene for TANGO 128 was mapped on radiation hybrid panels to the long arm of chromosome 4, in the region q28-31. Flanking markers for this region are WI-3936 and AFMCO27ZB9. The FGC (fibrinogen gene cluster), GYP (glycophorin cluster), IL15 (interlukin 15), TDO2 (tryptophan oxygenase), and MLR (mineralcorticoid receptor) genes also map to this region of the human chromosome. This region is syntenic to mouse chromosome 8. The Q (quinky), pdw (proportional dwarf), and lyl1 (lymphoblastic leukemia) loci also map to this region of the mouse chromosome. Il15 (interlukin 15), mlr (mineralcorticoid receptor), ucp (uncoupling protein), and clgn (calmegin) genes also map to this region of the mouse chromosome.

In the instant case, the human gene for TANGO 213 was mapped on radiation hybrid panels to the long arm of chromosome 17, in the region p13.3. Flanking markers for

this region are WI-5436 and WI-6584. The MDCR (Miller-Dieker syndrome), PEDF (pigment epithelium derived factor), and PFN1 (profilin 1) genes also map to this region of the human chromosome. This region is syntenic to mouse chromosome 11, locus 46(g). The ti (tipsy) loci also maps to this region of the mouse chromosome. The pfn1 (profilin 1),
5 htt (5-hydroxytryptamine (serotonin) transporter), acrb (acetylcholine receptor beta) genes also map to this region of the mouse chromosome.

2. Tissue Typing

The nucleic acid sequences of the present invention can also be used to identify
10 individuals from minute biological samples. The United States military, for example, is considering the use of restriction fragment length polymorphism (RFLP) for identification of its personnel. In this technique, an individual's genomic DNA is digested with one or more restriction enzymes, and probed on a Southern blot to yield unique bands for identification. This method does not suffer from the current limitations of "Dog Tags"
15 which can be lost, switched, or stolen, making positive identification difficult. The sequences of the present invention are useful as additional DNA markers for RFLP (described in U.S. Patent 5,272,057).

Furthermore, the sequences of the present invention can be used to provide an alternative technique which determines the actual base-by-base DNA sequence of selected
20 portions of an individual's genome. Thus, the nucleic acid sequences described herein can be used to prepare two PCR primers from the 5' and 3' ends of the sequences. These primers can then be used to amplify an individual's DNA and subsequently sequence it.

Panels of corresponding DNA sequences from individuals, prepared in this manner, can provide unique individual identifications, as each individual will have a unique set of
25 such DNA sequences due to allelic differences. The sequences of the present invention can be used to obtain such identification sequences from individuals and from tissue. The nucleic acid sequences of the invention uniquely represent portions of the human genome. Allelic variation occurs to some degree in the coding regions of these sequences, and to a greater degree in the noncoding regions. It is estimated that allelic variation between
30 individual humans occurs with a frequency of about once per each 500 bases. Each of the sequences described herein can, to some degree, be used as a standard against which DNA from an individual can be compared for identification purposes. Because greater numbers of polymorphisms occur in the noncoding regions, fewer sequences are necessary to differentiate individuals. The noncoding sequences of SEQ ID NO:1, 4, 6, 8, 11, 14, 17, 20,
35 53, 56, 59, 62, 65, or 68 can comfortably provide positive individual identification with a panel of perhaps 10 to 1,000 primers which each yield a noncoding amplified sequence of

100 bases. If predicted coding sequences, such as those in SEQ ID NO:3, 10, 13, 16, 19, 22, 38, 3955, 58, 61, 64, 67, 70, or 73, are used, a more appropriate number of primers for positive individual identification would be 500-2,000.

If a panel of reagents from the nucleic acid sequences described herein is used to
5 generate a unique identification database for an individual, those same reagents can later be used to identify tissue from that individual. Using the unique identification database, positive identification of the individual, living or dead, can be made from extremely small tissue samples.

10 3. Use of Partial Gene Sequences in Forensic Biology

DNA-based identification techniques can also be used in forensic biology. Forensic biology is a scientific field employing genetic typing of biological evidence found at a crime scene as a means for positively identifying, for example, a perpetrator of a crime. To make such an identification, PCR technology can be used to amplify DNA sequences taken
15 from very small biological samples such as tissues, e.g., hair or skin, or body fluids, e.g., blood, saliva, or semen found at a crime scene. The amplified sequence can then be compared to a standard, thereby allowing identification of the origin of the biological sample.

The sequences of the present invention can be used to provide polynucleotide
20 reagents, e.g., PCR primers, targeted to specific loci in the human genome, which can enhance the reliability of DNA-based forensic identifications by, for example, providing another "identification marker" (i.e. another DNA sequence that is unique to a particular individual). As mentioned above, actual base sequence information can be used for identification as an accurate alternative to patterns formed by restriction enzyme generated
25 fragments. Sequences targeted to noncoding regions are particularly appropriate for this use as greater numbers of polymorphisms occur in the noncoding regions, making it easier to differentiate individuals using this technique. Examples of polynucleotide reagents include the nucleic acid sequences of the invention or portions thereof, e.g., fragments derived from noncoding regions having a length of at least 20 or 30 bases.

30 The nucleic acid sequences described herein can further be used to provide polynucleotide reagents, e.g., labeled or labelable probes which can be used in, for example, an *in situ* hybridization technique, to identify a specific tissue, e.g., brain tissue. This can be very useful in cases where a forensic pathologist is presented with a tissue of unknown origin. Panels of such probes can be used to identify tissue by species and/or by organ type.

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C. Predictive Medicine

The present invention also pertains to the field of predictive medicine in which diagnostic assays, prognostic assays, pharmacogenomics, and monitoring clinical trials are used for prognostic (predictive) purposes to thereby treat an individual prophylactically.

- 5 Accordingly, one aspect of the present invention relates to diagnostic assays for determining expression of a polypeptide or nucleic acid of the invention and/or activity of a polypeptide of the invention, in the context of a biological sample (e.g., blood, serum, cells, tissue) to thereby determine whether an individual is afflicted with a disease or disorder, or is at risk of developing a disorder, associated with aberrant expression or activity of a polypeptide of
- 10 the invention. The invention also provides for prognostic (or predictive) assays for determining whether an individual is at risk of developing a disorder associated with aberrant expression or activity of a polypeptide of the invention. For example, mutations in a gene of the invention can be assayed in a biological sample. Such assays can be used for prognostic or predictive purpose to thereby prophylactically treat an individual prior to the
- 15 onset of a disorder characterized by or associated with aberrant expression or activity of a polypeptide of the invention.

- Another aspect of the invention provides methods for expression of a nucleic acid or polypeptide of the invention or activity of a polypeptide of the invention in an individual to thereby select appropriate therapeutic or prophylactic agents for that individual (referred to
- 20 herein as "pharmacogenomics"). Pharmacogenomics allows for the selection of agents (e.g., drugs) for therapeutic or prophylactic treatment of an individual based on the genotype of the individual (e.g., the genotype of the individual examined to determine the ability of the individual to respond to a particular agent).

- Yet another aspect of the invention pertains to monitoring the influence of agents
- 25 (e.g., drugs or other compounds) on the expression or activity of a polypeptide of the invention in clinical trials. These and other agents are described in further detail in the following sections.

1. Diagnostic Assays

- 30 An exemplary method for detecting the presence or absence of a polypeptide or nucleic acid of the invention in a biological sample involves obtaining a biological sample from a test subject and contacting the biological sample with a compound or an agent capable of detecting a polypeptide or nucleic acid (e.g., mRNA, genomic DNA) of the invention such that the presence of a polypeptide or nucleic acid of the invention is detected
- 35 in the biological sample. A preferred agent for detecting mRNA or genomic DNA encoding a polypeptide of the invention is a labeled nucleic acid probe capable of hybridizing to

mRNA or genomic DNA encoding a polypeptide of the invention. The nucleic acid probe can be, for example, a full-length cDNA, such as the nucleic acid of SEQ ID NO:1, 8, 11, 14, 17 or 20, or a portion thereof, such as an oligonucleotide of at least 15, 30, 50, 100, 250 or 500 nucleotides in length and sufficient to specifically hybridize under stringent
5 conditions to a mRNA or genomic DNA encoding a polypeptide of the invention. Other suitable probes for use in the diagnostic assays of the invention are described herein.

A preferred agent for detecting a polypeptide of the invention is an antibody capable of binding to a polypeptide of the invention, preferably an antibody with a detectable label. Antibodies can be polyclonal, or more preferably, monoclonal. An intact antibody, or a
10 fragment thereof (e.g., Fab or F(ab')₂) can be used. The term "labeled", with regard to the probe or antibody, is intended to encompass direct labeling of the probe or antibody by coupling (i.e., physically linking) a detectable substance to the probe or antibody, as well as indirect labeling of the probe or antibody by reactivity with another reagent that is directly labeled. Examples of indirect labeling include detection of a primary antibody using a
15 fluorescently labeled secondary antibody and end-labeling of a DNA probe with biotin such that it can be detected with fluorescently labeled streptavidin. The term "biological sample" is intended to include tissues, cells and biological fluids isolated from a subject, as well as tissues, cells and fluids present within a subject. That is, the detection method of the invention can be used to detect mRNA, protein, or genomic DNA in a biological sample *in*
20 *vitro* as well as *in vivo*. For example, *in vitro* techniques for detection of mRNA include Northern hybridizations and *in situ* hybridizations. *In vitro* techniques for detection of a polypeptide of the invention include enzyme linked immunosorbent assays (ELISAs), Western blots, immunoprecipitations and immunofluorescence. *In vitro* techniques for detection of genomic DNA include Southern hybridizations. Furthermore, *in vivo*
25 techniques for detection of a polypeptide of the invention include introducing into a subject a labeled antibody directed against the polypeptide. For example, the antibody can be labeled with a radioactive marker whose presence and location in a subject can be detected by standard imaging techniques.

In one embodiment, the biological sample contains protein molecules from the test
30 subject. Alternatively, the biological sample can contain mRNA molecules from the test subject or genomic DNA molecules from the test subject. A preferred biological sample is a peripheral blood leukocyte sample isolated by conventional means from a subject.

In another embodiment, the methods further involve obtaining a control biological sample from a control subject, contacting the control sample with a compound or agent
35 capable of detecting a polypeptide of the invention or mRNA or genomic DNA encoding a polypeptide of the invention, such that the presence of the polypeptide or mRNA or

genomic DNA encoding the polypeptide is detected in the biological sample, and comparing the presence of the polypeptide or mRNA or genomic DNA encoding the polypeptide in the control sample with the presence of the polypeptide or mRNA or genomic DNA encoding the polypeptide in the test sample.

- 5 The invention also encompasses kits for detecting the presence of a polypeptide or nucleic acid of the invention in a biological sample (a test sample). Such kits can be used to determine if a subject is suffering from or is at increased risk of developing a disorder associated with aberrant expression of a polypeptide of the invention (e.g., a proliferative disorder, e.g., psoriasis or cancer). For example, the kit can comprise a labeled compound
- 10 or agent capable of detecting the polypeptide or mRNA encoding the polypeptide in a biological sample and means for determining the amount of the polypeptide or mRNA in the sample (e.g., an antibody which binds the polypeptide or an oligonucleotide probe which binds to DNA or mRNA encoding the polypeptide). Kits may also include instructions for observing that the tested subject is suffering from or is at risk of developing
- 15 a disorder associated with aberrant expression of the polypeptide if the amount of the polypeptide or mRNA encoding the polypeptide is above or below a normal level.

For antibody-based kits, the kit may comprise, for example: (1) a first antibody (e.g., attached to a solid support) which binds to a polypeptide of the invention; and, optionally, (2) a second, different antibody which binds to either the polypeptide or the first antibody

20 and is conjugated to a detectable agent.

For oligonucleotide-based kits, the kit may comprise, for example: (1) an oligonucleotide, e.g., a detectably labeled oligonucleotide, which hybridizes to a nucleic acid sequence encoding a polypeptide of the invention or (2) a pair of primers useful for amplifying a nucleic acid molecule encoding a polypeptide of the invention. The kit may

25 also comprise, e.g., a buffering agent, a preservative, or a protein stabilizing agent. The kit may also comprise components necessary for detecting the detectable agent (e.g., an enzyme or a substrate). The kit may also contain a control sample or a series of control samples which can be assayed and compared to the test sample contained. Each component of the kit is usually enclosed within an individual container and all of the various containers

30 are within a single package along with instructions for observing whether the tested subject is suffering from or is at risk of developing a disorder associated with aberrant expression of the polypeptide.

2. Prognostic Assays

- 35 The methods described herein can furthermore be utilized as diagnostic or prognostic assays to identify subjects having or at risk of developing a disease or disorder

associated with aberrant expression or activity of a polypeptide of the invention. For example, the assays described herein, such as the preceding diagnostic assays or the following assays, can be utilized to identify a subject having or at risk of developing a disorder associated with aberrant expression or activity of a polypeptide of the invention, e.g., a proliferative disorder, e.g., psoriasis or cancer, or an angiogenic disorder. Alternatively, the prognostic assays can be utilized to identify a subject having or at risk for developing such a disease or disorder. Thus, the present invention provides a method in which a test sample is obtained from a subject and a polypeptide or nucleic acid (e.g., mRNA, genomic DNA) of the invention is detected, wherein the presence of the polypeptide or nucleic acid is diagnostic for a subject having or at risk of developing a disease or disorder associated with aberrant expression or activity of the polypeptide. As used herein, a "test sample" refers to a biological sample obtained from a subject of interest. For example, a test sample can be a biological fluid (e.g., serum), cell sample, or tissue.

Furthermore, the prognostic assays described herein can be used to determine whether a subject can be administered an agent (e.g., an agonist, antagonist, peptidomimetic, protein, peptide, nucleic acid, small molecule, or other drug candidate) to treat a disease or disorder associated with aberrant expression or activity of a polypeptide of the invention. For example, such methods can be used to determine whether a subject can be effectively treated with a specific agent or class of agents (e.g., agents of a type which decrease activity of the polypeptide). Thus, the present invention provides methods for determining whether a subject can be effectively treated with an agent for a disorder associated with aberrant expression or activity of a polypeptide of the invention in which a test sample is obtained and the polypeptide or nucleic acid encoding the polypeptide is detected (e.g., wherein the presence of the polypeptide or nucleic acid is diagnostic for a subject that can be administered the agent to treat a disorder associated with aberrant expression or activity of the polypeptide).

The methods of the invention can also be used to detect genetic lesions or mutations in a gene of the invention, thereby determining if a subject with the lesioned gene is at risk for a disorder characterized aberrant expression or activity of a polypeptide of the invention. In preferred embodiments, the methods include detecting, in a sample of cells from the subject, the presence or absence of a genetic lesion or mutation characterized by at least one of an alteration affecting the integrity of a gene encoding the polypeptide of the invention, or the mis-expression of the gene encoding the polypeptide of the invention. For example, such genetic lesions or mutations can be detected by ascertaining the existence of at least one of: 1) a deletion of one or more nucleotides from the gene; 2) an addition of one or more nucleotides to the gene; 3) a substitution of one or more nucleotides of the gene; 4) a

chromosomal rearrangement of the gene; 5) an alteration in the level of a messenger RNA transcript of the gene; 6) an aberrant modification of the gene, such as of the methylation pattern of the genomic DNA; 7) the presence of a non-wild type splicing pattern of a messenger RNA transcript of the gene; 8) a non-wild type level of a the protein encoded by the gene; 9) an allelic loss of the gene; and 10) an inappropriate post-translational modification of the protein encoded by the gene. As described herein, there are a large number of assay techniques known in the art which can be used for detecting lesions in a gene.

In certain embodiments, detection of the lesion involves the use of a probe/primer in a polymerase chain reaction (PCR) (*see, e.g.,* U.S. Patent Nos. 4,683,195 and 4,683,202), such as anchor PCR or RACE PCR, or, alternatively, in a ligation chain reaction (LCR) (*see, e.g.,* Landegran et al. (1988) *Science* 241:1077-1080; and Nakazawa et al. (1994) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 91:360-364), the latter of which can be particularly useful for detecting point mutations in a gene (*see, e.g.,* Abravaya et al. (1995) *Nucleic Acids Res.* 23:675-682). This method can include the steps of collecting a sample of cells from a patient, isolating nucleic acid (e.g., genomic, mRNA or both) from the cells of the sample, contacting the nucleic acid sample with one or more primers which specifically hybridize to the selected gene under conditions such that hybridization and amplification of the gene (if present) occurs, and detecting the presence or absence of an amplification product, or detecting the size of the amplification product and comparing the length to a control sample. It is anticipated that PCR and/or LCR may be desirable to use as a preliminary amplification step in conjunction with any of the techniques used for detecting mutations described herein.

Alternative amplification methods include: self sustained sequence replication (Guatelli et al. (1990) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 87:1874-1878), transcriptional amplification system (Kwoh, et al. (1989) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 86:1173-1177), Q-Beta Replicase (Lizardi et al. (1988) *Bio/Technology* 6:1197), or any other nucleic acid amplification method, followed by the detection of the amplified molecules using techniques well known to those of skill in the art. These detection schemes are especially useful for the detection of nucleic acid molecules if such molecules are present in very low numbers.

In an alternative embodiment, mutations in a selected gene from a sample cell can be identified by alterations in restriction enzyme cleavage patterns. For example, sample and control DNA is isolated, amplified (optionally), digested with one or more restriction endonucleases, and fragment length sizes are determined by gel electrophoresis and compared. Differences in fragment length sizes between sample and control DNA indicates

mutations in the sample DNA. Moreover, the use of sequence specific ribozymes (*see, e.g.,* U.S. Patent No. 5,498,531) can be used to score for the presence of specific mutations by development or loss of a ribozyme cleavage site.

In other embodiments, genetic mutations can be identified by hybridizing a sample
5 and control nucleic acids, e.g., DNA or RNA, to high density arrays containing hundreds or thousands of oligonucleotide probes (Cronin et al. (1996) *Human Mutation* 7:244-255; Kozal et al. (1996) *Nature Medicine* 2:753-759). For example, genetic mutations can be identified in two-dimensional arrays containing light-generated DNA probes as described in Cronin et al., *supra*. Briefly, a first hybridization array of probes can be used to scan
10 through long stretches of DNA in a sample and control to identify base changes between the sequences by making linear arrays of sequential overlapping probes. This step allows the identification of point mutations. This step is followed by a second hybridization array that allows the characterization of specific mutations by using smaller, specialized probe arrays complementary to all variants or mutations detected. Each mutation array is composed of
15 parallel probe sets, one complementary to the wild-type gene and the other complementary to the mutant gene.

In yet another embodiment, any of a variety of sequencing reactions known in the art can be used to directly sequence the selected gene and detect mutations by comparing the sequence of the sample nucleic acids with the corresponding wild-type (control)
20 sequence. Examples of sequencing reactions include those based on techniques developed by Maxim and Gilbert ((1977) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 74:560) or Sanger ((1977) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 74:5463). It is also contemplated that any of a variety of automated sequencing procedures can be utilized when performing the diagnostic assays ((1995) *Bio/Techniques* 19:448), including sequencing by mass spectrometry (*see, e.g.,* PCT
25 Publication No. WO 94/16101; Cohen et al. (1996) *Adv. Chromatogr.* 36:127-162; and Griffin et al. (1993) *Appl. Biochem. Biotechnol.* 38:147-159).

Other methods for detecting mutations in a selected gene include methods in which protection from cleavage agents is used to detect mismatched bases in RNA/RNA or RNA/DNA heteroduplexes (Myers et al. (1985) *Science* 230:1242). In general, the
30 technique of mismatch cleavage entails providing heteroduplexes formed by hybridizing (labeled) RNA or DNA containing the wild-type sequence with potentially mutant RNA or DNA obtained from a tissue sample. The double-stranded duplexes are treated with an agent which cleaves single-stranded regions of the duplex such as which will exist due to basepair mismatches between the control and sample strands. RNA/DNA duplexes can be
35 treated with RNase to digest mismatched regions, and DNA/DNA hybrids can be treated with S1 nuclease to digest mismatched regions.

In other embodiments, either DNA/DNA or RNA/DNA duplexes can be treated with hydroxylamine or osmium tetroxide and with piperidine in order to digest mismatched regions. After digestion of the mismatched regions, the resulting material is then separated by size on denaturing polyacrylamide gels to determine the site of mutation. *See, e.g.,*

- 5 Cotton et al. (1988) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 85:4397; Saleeba et al. (1992) *Methods Enzymol.* 217:286-295. In a preferred embodiment, the control DNA or RNA can be labeled for detection.

- In still another embodiment, the mismatch cleavage reaction employs one or more proteins that recognize mismatched base pairs in double-stranded DNA (so called DNA mismatch repair enzymes) in defined systems for detecting and mapping point mutations in cDNAs obtained from samples of cells. For example, the mutY enzyme of *E. coli* cleaves A at G/A mismatches and the thymidine DNA glycosylase from HeLa cells cleaves T at G/T mismatches (Hsu et al. (1994) *Carcinogenesis* 15:1657-1662). According to an exemplary embodiment, a probe based on a selected sequence, e.g., a wild-type sequence, is hybridized to a cDNA or other DNA product from a test cell(s). The duplex is treated with a DNA mismatch repair enzyme, and the cleavage products, if any, can be detected from electrophoresis protocols or the like. *See, e.g.,* U.S. Patent No. 5,459,039.
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- In other embodiments, alterations in electrophoretic mobility will be used to identify mutations in genes. For example, single strand conformation polymorphism (SSCP) may be used to detect differences in electrophoretic mobility between mutant and wild type nucleic acids (Orita et al. (1989) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 86:2766; *see also* Cotton (1993) *Mutat. Res.* 285:125-144; Hayashi (1992) *Genet. Anal. Tech. Appl.* 9:73-79). Single-stranded DNA fragments of sample and control nucleic acids will be denatured and allowed to renature. The secondary structure of single-stranded nucleic acids varies according to sequence, and the resulting alteration in electrophoretic mobility enables the detection of even a single base change. The DNA fragments may be labeled or detected with labeled probes. The sensitivity of the assay may be enhanced by using RNA (rather than DNA), in which the secondary structure is more sensitive to a change in sequence. In a preferred embodiment, the subject method utilizes heteroduplex analysis to separate double stranded heteroduplex molecules on the basis of changes in electrophoretic mobility (Keen et al. (1991) *Trends Genet.* 7:5).
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- In yet another embodiment, the movement of mutant or wild-type fragments in polyacrylamide gels containing a gradient of denaturant is assayed using denaturing gradient gel electrophoresis (DGGE) (Myers et al. (1985) *Nature* 313:495). When DGGE is used as the method of analysis, DNA will be modified to insure that it does not completely denature, for example by adding a GC clamp of approximately 40 bp of high-melting GC-
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rich DNA by PCR. In a further embodiment, a temperature gradient is used in place of a denaturing gradient to identify differences in the mobility of control and sample DNA (Rosenbaum and Reissner (1987) *Biophys. Chem.* 265:12753).

5 Examples of other techniques for detecting point mutations include, but are not limited to, selective oligonucleotide hybridization, selective amplification, or selective primer extension. For example, oligonucleotide primers may be prepared in which the known mutation is placed centrally and then hybridized to target DNA under conditions which permit hybridization only if a perfect match is found (Saiki et al. (1986) *Nature* 324:163); Saiki et al. (1989) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 86:6230). Such allele specific
10 oligonucleotides are hybridized to PCR amplified target DNA or a number of different mutations when the oligonucleotides are attached to the hybridizing membrane and hybridized with labeled target DNA.

Alternatively, allele specific amplification technology which depends on selective PCR amplification may be used in conjunction with the instant invention. Oligonucleotides
15 used as primers for specific amplification may carry the mutation of interest in the center of the molecule (so that amplification depends on differential hybridization) (Gibbs et al. (1989) *Nucleic Acids Res.* 17:2437-2448) or at the extreme 3' end of one primer where, under appropriate conditions, mismatch can prevent or reduce polymerase extension (Prossner (1993) *Tibtech* 11:238). In addition, it may be desirable to introduce a novel
20 restriction site in the region of the mutation to create cleavage-based detection (Gasparini et al. (1992) *Mol. Cell Probes* 6:1). It is anticipated that in certain embodiments amplification may also be performed using Taq ligase for amplification (Barany (1991) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 88:189). In such cases, ligation will occur only if there is a perfect match at the 3' end of the 5' sequence making it possible to detect the presence of a known mutation at a
25 specific site by looking for the presence or absence of amplification.

The methods described herein may be performed, for example, by utilizing pre-packaged diagnostic kits comprising at least one probe nucleic acid or antibody reagent described herein, which may be conveniently used, e.g., in clinical settings to diagnose patients exhibiting symptoms or family history of a disease or illness involving a gene
30 encoding a polypeptide of the invention. Furthermore, any cell type or tissue, preferably peripheral blood leukocytes, in which the polypeptide of the invention is expressed may be utilized in the prognostic assays described herein.

3. Pharmacogenomics

35 Agents, or modulators which have a stimulatory or inhibitory effect on activity or expression of a polypeptide of the invention as identified by a screening assay described

herein can be administered to individuals to treat (prophylactically or therapeutically) disorders associated with aberrant activity of the polypeptide. In conjunction with such treatment, the pharmacogenomics (i.e., the study of the relationship between an individual's genotype and that individual's response to a foreign compound or drug) of the individual
5 may be considered. Differences in metabolism of therapeutics can lead to severe toxicity or therapeutic failure by altering the relation between dose and blood concentration of the pharmacologically active drug. Thus, the pharmacogenomics of the individual permits the selection of effective agents (e.g., drugs) for prophylactic or therapeutic treatments based on a consideration of the individual's genotype. Such pharmacogenomics can further be used
10 to determine appropriate dosages and therapeutic regimens. Accordingly, the activity of a polypeptide of the invention, expression of a nucleic acid of the invention, or mutation content of a gene of the invention in an individual can be determined to thereby select appropriate agent(s) for therapeutic or prophylactic treatment of the individual.

Pharmacogenomics deals with clinically significant hereditary variations in the
15 response to drugs due to altered drug disposition and abnormal action in affected persons. *See, e.g., Linder (1997) Clin. Chem. 43(2):254-266.* In general, two types of pharmacogenetic conditions can be differentiated. Genetic conditions transmitted as a single factor altering the way drugs act on the body are referred to as "altered drug action." Genetic conditions transmitted as single factors altering the way the body acts on drugs are
20 referred to as "altered drug metabolism". These pharmacogenetic conditions can occur either as rare defects or as polymorphisms. For example, glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase deficiency (G6PD) is a common inherited enzymopathy in which the main clinical complication is haemolysis after ingestion of oxidant drugs (anti-malarials, sulfonamides, analgesics, nitrofurans) and consumption of fava beans.

As an illustrative embodiment, the activity of drug metabolizing enzymes is a major
25 determinant of both the intensity and duration of drug action. The discovery of genetic polymorphisms of drug metabolizing enzymes (e.g., N-acetyltransferase 2 (NAT 2) and cytochrome P450 enzymes CYP2D6 and CYP2C19) has provided an explanation as to why some patients do not obtain the expected drug effects or show exaggerated drug response
30 and serious toxicity after taking the standard and safe dose of a drug. These polymorphisms are expressed in two phenotypes in the population, the extensive metabolizer (EM) and poor metabolizer (PM). The prevalence of PM is different among different populations. For example, the gene coding for CYP2D6 is highly polymorphic and several mutations have been identified in PM, which all lead to the absence of functional CYP2D6. Poor
35 metabolizers of CYP2D6 and CYP2C19 quite frequently experience exaggerated drug response and side effects when they receive standard doses. If a metabolite is the active

therapeutic moiety, a PM will show no therapeutic response, as demonstrated for the analgesic effect of codeine mediated by its CYP2D6-formed metabolite morphine. The other extreme are the so called ultra-rapid metabolizers who do not respond to standard doses. Recently, the molecular basis of ultra-rapid metabolism has been identified to be due to CYP2D6 gene amplification.

Thus, the activity of a polypeptide of the invention, expression of a nucleic acid encoding the polypeptide, or mutation content of a gene encoding the polypeptide in an individual can be determined to thereby select appropriate agent(s) for therapeutic or prophylactic treatment of the individual. In addition, pharmacogenetic studies can be used to apply genotyping of polymorphic alleles encoding drug-metabolizing enzymes to the identification of an individual's drug responsiveness phenotype. This knowledge, when applied to dosing or drug selection, can avoid adverse reactions or therapeutic failure and thus enhance therapeutic or prophylactic efficiency when treating a subject with a modulator of activity or expression of the polypeptide, such as a modulator identified by one of the exemplary screening assays described herein.

4. Monitoring of Effects During Clinical Trials

Monitoring the influence of agents (e.g., drugs, compounds) on the expression or activity of a polypeptide of the invention (e.g., the ability to modulate aberrant cell proliferation, chemotaxis, and/or differentiation) can be applied not only in basic drug screening, but also in clinical trials. For example, the effectiveness of an agent, as determined by a screening assay as described herein, to increase gene expression, protein levels or protein activity, can be monitored in clinical trials of subjects exhibiting decreased gene expression, protein levels, or protein activity. Alternatively, the effectiveness of an agent, as determined by a screening assay, to decrease gene expression, protein levels or protein activity, can be monitored in clinical trials of subjects exhibiting increased gene expression, protein levels, or protein activity. In such clinical trials, expression or activity of a polypeptide of the invention and preferably, that of other polypeptide that have been implicated in for example, a cellular proliferation disorder, can be used as a marker of the immune responsiveness of a particular cell.

For example, and not by way of limitation, genes, including those of the invention, that are modulated in cells by treatment with an agent (e.g., compound, drug or small molecule) which modulates activity or expression of a polypeptide of the invention (e.g., as identified in a screening assay described herein) can be identified. Thus, to study the effect of agents on cellular proliferation disorders, for example, in a clinical trial, cells can be isolated and RNA prepared and analyzed for the levels of expression of a gene of the

invention and other genes implicated in the disorder. The levels of gene expression (i.e., a gene expression pattern) can be quantified by Northern blot analysis or RT-PCR, as described herein, or alternatively by measuring the amount of protein produced, by one of the methods as described herein, or by measuring the levels of activity of a gene of the invention or other genes. In this way, the gene expression pattern can serve as a marker, indicative of the physiological response of the cells to the agent. Accordingly, this response state may be determined before, and at various points during, treatment of the individual with the agent.

In a preferred embodiment, the present invention provides a method for monitoring the effectiveness of treatment of a subject with an agent (e.g., an agonist, antagonist, peptidomimetic, protein, peptide, nucleic acid, small molecule, or other drug candidate identified by the screening assays described herein) comprising the steps of (i) obtaining a pre-administration sample from a subject prior to administration of the agent; (ii) detecting the level of the polypeptide or nucleic acid of the invention in the preadministration sample; (iii) obtaining one or more post-administration samples from the subject; (iv) detecting the level of the polypeptide or nucleic acid of the invention in the post-administration samples; (v) comparing the level of the polypeptide or nucleic acid of the invention in the pre-administration sample with the level of the polypeptide or nucleic acid of the invention in the post-administration sample or samples; and (vi) altering the administration of the agent to the subject accordingly. For example, increased administration of the agent may be desirable to increase the expression or activity of the polypeptide to higher levels than detected, i.e., to increase the effectiveness of the agent. Alternatively, decreased administration of the agent may be desirable to decrease expression or activity of the polypeptide to lower levels than detected, i.e., to decrease the effectiveness of the agent.

C. Methods of Treatment

The present invention provides for both prophylactic and therapeutic methods of treating a subject at risk of (or susceptible to) a disorder or having a disorder associated with aberrant expression or activity of a polypeptide of the invention. For example, disorders characterized by aberrant expression or activity of the polypeptides of the invention include proliferative disorders such as psoriasis and cancer. In addition, the polypeptides of the invention can be used to promote hair growth, promote wound healing, as well as other uses described herein.

1. Prophylactic Methods

In one aspect, the invention provides a method for preventing in a subject, a disease or condition associated with an aberrant expression or activity of a polypeptide of the invention, by administering to the subject an agent which modulates expression or at least one activity of the polypeptide. Subjects at risk for a disease which is caused or contributed to by aberrant expression or activity of a polypeptide of the invention can be identified by, for example, any or a combination of diagnostic or prognostic assays as described herein. Administration of a prophylactic agent can occur prior to the manifestation of symptoms characteristic of the aberrancy, such that a disease or disorder is prevented or, alternatively, delayed in its progression. Depending on the type of aberrancy, for example, an agonist or antagonist agent can be used for treating the subject. For example, an antagonist of an ELVIS protein may be used to treat a proliferative disorder, e.g., psoriasis, associated with aberrant ELVIS expression or activity. The appropriate agent can be determined based on screening assays described herein.

2. Therapeutic Methods

Another aspect of the invention pertains to methods of modulating expression or activity of a polypeptide of the invention for therapeutic purposes. The modulatory method of the invention involves contacting a cell with an agent that modulates one or more of the activities of the polypeptide. An agent that modulates activity can be an agent as described herein, such as a nucleic acid or a protein, a naturally-occurring cognate ligand of the polypeptide, a peptide, a peptidomimetic, or other small molecule. In one embodiment, the agent stimulates one or more of the biological activities of the polypeptide. Examples of such stimulatory agents include the active polypeptide of the invention and a nucleic acid molecule encoding the polypeptide of the invention that has been introduced into the cell. In another embodiment, the agent inhibits one or more of the biological activities of the polypeptide of the invention. Examples of such inhibitory agents include antisense nucleic acid molecules and antibodies. These modulatory methods can be performed *in vitro* (e.g., by culturing the cell with the agent) or, alternatively, *in vivo* (e.g., by administering the agent to a subject). As such, the present invention provides methods of treating an individual afflicted with a disease or disorder characterized by aberrant expression or activity of a polypeptide of the invention. In one embodiment, the method involves administering an agent (e.g., an agent identified by a screening assay described herein), or combination of agents that modulates (e.g., upregulates or downregulates) expression or activity. In another embodiment, the method involves administering a polypeptide of the invention or a nucleic acid molecule of the invention as therapy to compensate for reduced or aberrant expression or activity of the polypeptide.

Stimulation of activity is desirable in situations in which activity or expression is abnormally low or downregulated and/or in which increased activity is likely to have a beneficial effect, e.g., in wound healing. Conversely, inhibition of activity is desirable in situations in which activity or expression is abnormally high or upregulated and/or in which decreased activity is likely to have a beneficial effect, e.g., in treatment of a proliferative disorder such as psoriasis.

This invention is further illustrated by the following examples which should not be construed as limiting.

All publications, patents and patent applications mentioned in this specification are herein incorporated by reference in to the specification to the same extent as if each individual publication, patent or patent application was specifically and individually indicated to be incorporated herein by reference.

Deposit of Clones

Clones containing cDNA molecules encoding TANGO 128, TANGO 140-1, TANGO 140-2, TANGO 197 and TANGO 239 were deposited with the American Type Culture Collection (Manassas, VA) as composite deposits.

Clones encoding TANGO 128, TANGO 140-1, TANGO 140-2, TANGO 197 and TANGO 239 were deposited on November 20, 1998 with the American Type Culture Collection under Accession Number ATCC 98999, (also referred to herein as mix EpDHMix1) from which each clone comprising a particular cDNA clone is obtainable. This deposit is a mixture of five strains, each carrying one recombinant plasmid harboring a particular cDNA clone. To distinguish the strains and isolate a strain harboring a particular cDNA clone, one can first streak out an aliquot of the mixture to single colonies on nutrient medium (e.g., LB plates) supplemented with 100µg/ml ampicillin, grow single colonies, and then extract the plasmid DNA using a standard miniprep procedure. Next, one can digest a sample of the DNA miniprep with a combination of the restriction enzymes *Sal* I and *Not* I and resolve the resultant products on a 0.8% agarose gel using standard DNA electrophoresis conditions. The digest will liberate fragments as follows:

TANGO 128 (EpDH237) 2.8 kb and 4.3 kb
TANGO 140-1 (EpDH137) 1.6 kb and 3.0 kb
TANGO 140-2 (EpDH185) 3.4 kb and 4.3 kb
TANGO 197 (EpDH213) 2.3 kb and 3.0 kb
TANGO 239 (EpDH233) 3.0 kb and 3.4 kb

The identity of the strains can be inferred from the fragments liberated.

Equivalents

Those skilled in the art will recognize, or be able to ascertain using no more than routine experimentation, many equivalents to the specific embodiments of the invention described herein. Such equivalents are intended to be encompassed by the following

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Date of deposit * <u>November 20, 1998</u> Accession Number * <u>98999</u>	
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What is claimed is:

1. An isolated nucleic acid molecule selected from the group consisting of:
 - a) a nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence which is at
5 least 55% identical to the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, or the cDNA insert of the plasmid deposited with the ATCC as any of Accession Numbers 98999, 202171, 98966, 98965, or a complement thereof;
 - b) a nucleic acid molecule comprising a fragment of at least 300 nucleotides
10 of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, or the cDNA insert of the plasmid deposited with the ATCC as any of Accession Numbers 98999, 202171, 98966, 98965, or a complement thereof;
 - c) a nucleic acid molecule which encodes a polypeptide comprising the amino
15 acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, or amino acid sequence encoded by the cDNA insert of the plasmid deposited with the ATCC as any of Accession Numbers 98999, 202171, 98966, 98965;
 - d) a nucleic acid molecule which encodes a fragment of a polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63,
20 66, 69, 72, or the polypeptide encoded by the cDNA insert of the plasmid deposited with the ATCC as any of Accession Numbers 98999, 202171, 98966, 98965, wherein the fragment comprises at least 15 contiguous amino acids of SEQ ID NO:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, or the polypeptide encoded by the cDNA insert of the plasmid deposited with the ATCC as any of Accession Numbers 98999, 202171, 98966, 98965; and
 - 25 e) a nucleic acid molecule which encodes a naturally occurring allelic variant of a polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, or the amino acid sequence encoded by the cDNA insert of the plasmid deposited with the ATCC as any of Accession Numbers 98999, 202171, 98966, 98965, wherein the nucleic acid molecule hybridizes to a nucleic acid molecule comprising
30 SEQ ID NO:1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, or a complement thereof under stringent conditions.

2. The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 1, which is selected from the group consisting of:

- 35 a) a nucleic acid comprising the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71,

73, or the cDNA insert of the plasmid deposited with the ATCC as any of Accession Numbers 98999, 202171, 98966, 98965, or a complement thereof; and

- b) a nucleic acid molecule which encodes a polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, or the amino acid sequence encoded by the cDNA insert of the plasmid deposited with the ATCC as any of Accession Numbers 98999, 202171, 98966, 98965.

3. The nucleic acid molecule of claim 1 further comprising vector nucleic acid sequences.

4. The nucleic acid molecule of claim 1 further comprising nucleic acid sequences encoding a heterologous polypeptide.

5. A host cell which contains the nucleic acid molecule of claim 1.

6. The host cell of claim 5 which is a mammalian host cell.

7. A non-human mammalian host cell containing the nucleic acid molecule of claim 1.

8. An isolated polypeptide selected from the group consisting of:

- a) a fragment of a polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, wherein the fragment comprises at least 15 contiguous amino acids of SEQ ID NO:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72,;

b) a naturally occurring allelic variant of a polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, or the amino acid sequence encoded by the cDNA insert of the plasmid deposited with the ATCC as any of Accession Numbers 98999, 202171, 98966, 98965, wherein the polypeptide is encoded by a nucleic acid molecule which hybridizes to a nucleic acid molecule comprising SEQ ID NO:1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, or a complement thereof under stringent conditions; and

c) a polypeptide which is encoded by a nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence which is at least 65% identical to a nucleic acid comprising the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, or a complement thereof.

9. The isolated polypeptide of claim 8 comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72.
10. The polypeptide of claim 8 further comprising heterologous amino acid sequences.
11. An antibody which selectively binds to a polypeptide of claim 8.
12. A method for producing a polypeptide selected from the group consisting of:
- 10 a) a polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, or the amino acid sequence encoded by the cDNA insert of the plasmid deposited with the ATCC as any of Accession Numbers 98999, 202171, 98966, 98965;
- b) a polypeptide comprising a fragment of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, or the amino acid sequence encoded by the cDNA insert of the plasmid deposited with the ATCC as any of Accession Number 98999, 202171, 98966, 98965, wherein the fragment comprises at least 15 contiguous amino acids of SEQ ID NO:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, or the amino acid sequence encoded by the cDNA insert of the plasmid deposited with the ATCC as any of Accession Numbers 98999, 202171, 98966, 98965; and
- 15 c) a naturally occurring allelic variant of a polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, or the amino acid sequence encoded by the cDNA insert of the plasmid deposited with the ATCC as any of Accession Numbers 98999, 202171, 98966, 98965, wherein the polypeptide is encoded by a nucleic acid molecule which hybridizes to a nucleic acid molecule comprising SEQ ID NO:1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 38, 39, 53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 64, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, or a complement thereof under stringent conditions;
- 20 comprising culturing the host cell of claim 5 under conditions in which the nucleic acid molecule is expressed.
13. A method for detecting the presence of a polypeptide of claim 8 in a sample, comprising:
- a) contacting the sample with a compound which selectively binds to a polypeptide of claim 8; and
- 30 b) determining whether the compound binds to the polypeptide in the sample.

14. The method of claim 13, wherein the compound which binds to the polypeptide is an antibody.
15. A kit comprising a compound which selectively binds to a polypeptide of claim 8 and instructions for use.
16. A method for detecting the presence of a nucleic acid molecule of claim 1 in a sample, comprising the steps of:
- contacting the sample with a nucleic acid probe or primer which selectively hybridizes to the nucleic acid molecule; and
 - determining whether the nucleic acid probe or primer binds to a nucleic acid molecule in the sample.
17. The method of claim 16, wherein the sample comprises mRNA molecules and is contacted with a nucleic acid probe.
18. A kit comprising a compound which selectively hybridizes to a nucleic acid molecule of claim 1 and instructions for use.
19. A method for identifying a compound which binds to a polypeptide of claim 8 comprising the steps of:
- contacting a polypeptide, or a cell expressing a polypeptide of claim 8 with a test compound; and
 - determining whether the polypeptide binds to the test compound.
20. The method of claim 19, wherein the binding of the test compound to the polypeptide is detected by a method selected from the group consisting of:
- detection of binding by direct detecting of test compound/polypeptide binding;
 - detection of binding using a competition binding assay;
 - detection of binding using an assay for TANGO 128, TANGO 140, TANGO 197, TANGO 212, TANGO 213, TANGO 224 or TANGO 239-mediated signal transduction.
21. A method for modulating the activity of a polypeptide of claim 8 comprising contacting a polypeptide or a cell expressing a polypeptide of claim 8 with a compound

which binds to the polypeptide in a sufficient concentration to modulate the activity of the polypeptide.

22. A method for identifying a compound which modulates the activity of a
5 polypeptide of claim 8, comprising:
- a) contacting a polypeptide of claim 8 with a test compound; and
 - b) determining the effect of the test compound on the activity of the
polypeptide to thereby identify a compound which modulates the activity of the
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 Leu Glu Asp Leu 200 Ile Arg Tyr Leu Glu Pro Glu Arg Trp Gln Leu Asp
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 Leu Glu Asp Leu 215 Tyr Arg Pro Thr Trp Gln Leu Leu Lys Ala Phe
 1016 gtt ttt gga aga aaa tcc aga gtg gat ctg aac aac ctt cta aca gag
 Val Phe Gly Arg Lys Ser Arg Val Val Asp Leu Leu Thr Glu
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Fig. 1A

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 Asn Glu Cys Gln Cys Val Pro Ser Lys Val Thr Lys Lys Tyr His Glu 305
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 Arg Gly Ser Thr Gly Gly 345
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Fig. 1B

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Fig. 1C

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 Trp Asp Gln Trp Gly Arg Cys Val Thr Cys Gln Arg Cys Gly Pro Gly
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 145 cag gag cta tcc aag gat tgt ggt tat gga gag ggt gga gat gcc tac
 Gln Glu Leu Ser Lys Asp Cys Gly Tyr Gly Glu Gly Gly Asp Ala Tyr
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 193 tgc aca gcc tgc cct cct cgc agg tac aaa agc agc tgg ggc cac cac
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 65 70 75 80
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 Ile Pro Cys Thr Lys Gln Thr Pro Thr Ser Glu Val Gln Cys Ala Phe
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 130 135 140 145

Fig. 2

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 His Cys Gln Arg 180 Gly Gly Gly Cys Phe Met 185 Phe His Met Asn Gln
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 1550

Fig. 2A

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 240 gcc tgc cct cct cgc agg tac aaa agc agc tgg ggc cac cac aaa tgt
 Ala Cys Pro Pro Arg Arg Tyr Lys Ser Ser Trp Gly His His Lys Cys
 65 70 75 80
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 Gln Ser Cys Ile Thr Cys Ala Val Ile Asn Arg Val Gln Lys Val Asn
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 Tyr Arg Lys Thr Arg Ile Gly Gln Glu Asp Gln Glu Cys Ile Pro
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 Cys Thr Lys Gln Thr Pro Thr Ser Glu Val Gln Cys Ala phe Gln Leu
 130 135 140

Fig. 3

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 145
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 Leu Val Ala Leu Leu Leu Glu Glu Val Cys Cys 170
 165
 576 cag caa agg agg aat ctc tct tcc ccg tgc cca gca agg aga cca
 Gln Gln Arg Arg Asn Leu Ser Ser Pro Cys His Pro Ala Arg Arg Pro
 180 185 190
 631 gtg ctg agt ccc aag tgagtggagaa catctttcag acccagccac ttaaccctat
 Val Leu Ser Pro Lys 195
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Fig. 3A

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Fig. 3B

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	Tyr Gly Gly	phe Asp Leu	Tyr phe	Leu Asp Lys	Ser Gly Ser	Val
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	Leu His His	Trp Asn Glu	ile Tyr	phe Val Glu	Gln Leu Ala	His
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	Lys phe ile	Ser pro Gln	Leu Arg	Met Ser phe	ile Val phe	Ser Thr
521	cga gga aca	acc tta atg	aaa ctg	aca gaa gac	aga caa atc	cgt
	Arg Gly Thr	Thr Thr Leu	Met Lys	Glu Thr Glu	Glu Arg	ile Arg
569	caa ggc cta	gaa gaa ctc	cag aaa	ggt ctg	cca gga gac	act tac
	Gln Gly Leu	Glu Glu Leu	Gln Lys	Val Leu Pro	Gly Gly Asp	Thr Tyr

Fig. 4

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 Arg Gln Gly Tyr Arg Thr 140 Arg Thr Ala Ser Val Ile Ile Ala Leu Thr Asp Gly 150
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 Glu Leu His Glu Asp 155 Glu Asp Leu Phe Phe Phe Tyr Ser Glu Arg Glu Ala Asn Arg 165
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 Pro Val Asn Asp Gly Phe 205 Gln Ala Leu Gln Gly Ile Ile His Ser Ile 215
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 Cys Ala Gly 235 Phe Phe Val Val Val Arg Gly Asn Gly Phe Arg 245
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 His Ala Arg Asn Val Asp Arg Val Leu Cys Ser Phe Lys Ile Asn Asp 255
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Fig. 4A

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1097	ctg tgt cca gcg cct atc tta aaa gaa gtt ggc atg aaa gct gca ctc	1301	ctcggtttac actttcctta
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		2201	tgatttttta
		2261	aaaaaaaaaa
		2272	ggggcgccgc

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1241

Thr Ala Ala Cys Met Glu 330

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Fig. 4B

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Fig. 5

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676 ctc agt ggc cac atg ctc atg cca gat gct acg tgt gtg aac tct agg
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 Thr Cys Ala Met Ile Asn Cys Gln Tyr Ser Gly Leu Ala Pro Asn
 140 145 150
 772 ggg cca cag tgc ctg tgt cca tcc tca gga ggc cca aat
 Gly Pro Gln Cys Leu Cys Pro Ser Ser Ser Gly Leu Arg 165
 155 160
 820 gga aga gac tgt cta gat att gat gaa tgt ggc tct ggt aaa gtc atc
 Gly Arg Asp Cys Leu Asp Ile Asp Gln Cys Ala Ser Gly Lys Val Ile
 170 175 180
 868 tgt ccc tac aat cga aga tgc gtg aac aca ttt gga agc tac tac tgc
 Cys Pro Tyr Asn Arg Arg Cys Val Asn Thr Phe Phe Gly Ser Tyr Tyr Cys
 185 190 195 200
 916 aaa tgt cac att ggt ttc gaa ctg caa tat atc agt gga cga tat gac
 Lys Cys His Ile Gly Phe Glu Leu Gln Tyr Ile Ser Gly Arg Tyr Asp
 205 210 215
 964 tgt ata gat ata aat gaa tgt act atg gat agc cat acg tgc agc cac
 Cys Ile Asp Ile Asn Glu Cys Thr Met Asp Ser His Thr Cys Ser His
 220 225 230
 1012 cat gcc aat tgc ttc aat acc caa ggg tcc ttc aag tgt aaa tgc aag
 His Ala Asn Cys Phe Asn Thr Gln Gly Ser Phe Lys Cys Lys
 235 240 245
 1060 cag gga tat aaa ggc aat gga ctt cgg tgt tct gct atc cct gaa aat
 Gln Gly Tyr Lys Gly Asn Gly Leu Arg Cys Ser Ala Ile Pro Glu Asn
 250 255 260

Fig. 5A

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1108	tct gtg aag gaa gtc ctc aga gca cct ggt acc atc aaa gac aga atc Ser Val 265 Lys Lys Glu Val 270 Leu Arg Ala Pro Gly 275 Thr Ile Lys Asp Arg 280 Ile
1156	aag aag ttg ctt gct cac aaa aac agc atg aaa aag gca aaa att Lys Lys Leu Leu 285 Ala His Lys Asn Ser Met 290 Lys Lys Ala Lys 295 Ile
1204	aaa aat gtt acc cca gaa gaa ccc acc agg act cct acc cct aag gtg aac Lys Asn Val 300 Thr Pro Glu Pro Thr Arg Thr Pro Lys Val Asn 310
1252	ttg cag ccc ttc aac tat gaa gag ata gtt tcc aga ggc ggg aac tct Leu Gln Pro Phe Asn Tyr Glu Ile Val Ser Arg Gly Gly Asn Ser 325
1300	cat gga ggt aaa aag ggg aat gaa gag aaa atg aaa gag ggg ctt gag His Gly 330 Lys Lys Gly 335 Asn Glu Glu Lys Met 340 Lys Glu Gly Leu Glu
1348	gat gag aaa aga gaa gag aaa gcc ctg aag aat gac ata gag gag cga Asp Glu Lys Arg Glu Glu Lys Ala Leu Lys Asn Asp Ile Glu Glu Arg 360
1396	agc ctg cga gga gat gtg ttt ttc cct aag gtg aat gaa gca ggt gaa Ser Leu Arg Gly Asp Val 365 Phe Phe Pro Lys Val Asn Glu Ala Gly Glu 375
1444	ttc ggc ctg att ctg gtc caa agg aaa gcg cta act tcc aaa ctg gaa Phe Gly Leu 380 Ile Leu Val Gln Arg Lys Ala Leu Thr Ser Lys Leu Glu 390
1492	cat aaa gat tta aat atc tgc gac tgc agc ttc aat cat ggg atc His Lys Asp Leu Asn Ile Ser 400 Val Asp Cys Ser Phe Asn His Gly Ile 405
1540	tgt gac tgg aaa cag gat aga gaa gat gat ttt gac tgg aat cct gct Cys Asp Trp Lys Gln Asp Arg Glu Asp Phe 415 gac Asp Trp Asn Pro Ala 420

Fig. 5B

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1588 gat cga gat aat gct att ggc ttc tat atg gca gtt ccg gcc ttg gca
 Asp Arg Asp Asn Ala 430 Ile Gly Phe Tyr Met Ala Val Pro Ala Leu Ala 440
 1636 ggt cac aag aaa gac att ggc cga ttg aaa ctt ctc cta cct gac ctg
 Gly His Lys Lys Asp 445 Ile Gly Arg Leu Lys Leu Leu Pro Asp Leu 455
 1684 caa ccc caa agc aac ttc tgt ttg ctc ttt gat tac cgg ctg gcc gga
 Gln Pro Gln Ser Asn Phe Cys Leu 465 Phe Asp Tyr Arg Leu Ala Gly 470
 1732 gac aaa gtc ggg aaa ctt cga gtg ttt gtg aaa aac agt aac aat gcc
 Asp Lys Val Gly Lys Leu Arg 480 Val Phe Val Lys Asn Ser Asn Ala 485
 1780 ctg gca tgg gag aag acc acg agt gag gat gaa aag tgg aag aca ggg
 Leu Ala Trp Glu Lys Thr 495 Thr Ser Glu Asp Glu Lys Trp Lys Thr Gly 500
 1828 aaa att cag ttg tat caa gga act gat gct acc aaa agc atc att ttt
 Lys Ile Gln Leu Tyr 510 Gln Gly Thr Asp Ala Thr Lys Ser Ile Ile Phe 520
 1876 gaa gca gaa cgt ggc aag ggc aaa acc ggc gaa atc gca gtg gat ggc
 Glu Ala Glu Arg 525 Gly Lys Lys Thr Thr Gly Glu Ile Ala Val Asp Gly 535
 1924 gtc ttg ctt gtt tca ggc tta tgt cca gat agc ctt tta tct gtg gat
 Val Leu Leu Val Ser Gly Leu Cys Pro Asp Ser Leu Leu Ser Val Asp 540
 1977 * tgaatgttac tatctttata ttgactttg tatgtcagtt ccctgggtttt
 gac Asp

Fig. 5C

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Fig. 5D

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60 gtcgacccac gcgtgcggcg gcaacctcgg aagtgcggag cgggtgggcc tatatag atg
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 Leu Arg Cys Gly 5
 156 gca gcg gta atg gca gca cgt gga ctt atg ggc tgg tgg ggt ccc cgc gct
 Ala Ala Val Met Ala Ala Arg Leu Met Gly Trp Trp Gly Pro Arg Ala
 20 20
 204 ggc ttt cgc ctt ttc ata cca ggc gag ctg tct cgc tac cgc ggc ggc
 Gly Phe Arg Leu Phe Ile Pro 40
 252 cca ggc gac ccg ggc ctg tac ttg gcg ttg ctg ggc cgt gtc tac gat
 Pro Gly Asp Pro Gly Leu Tyr 55
 300 gtg tcc tcc ggc cgg agg cac tac gag cct ggc tcc cac tat agc ggc
 Val Ser Ser Gly Arg 70
 348 ttc gca ggc cga gac gac gca tcc aga gct ttc gtg acc ggg gac tgt tct
 Phe Ala Gly Arg Asp 85
 396 gaa gca ggc ctc gtg gat gac gta tcc gac ctg tca gcc gct gag atg
 Glu Ala Gly Leu Val Asp Asp Val Ser Asp Leu Ser Ala Ala Glu Met
 100 105
 444 ctg aca ctt cac aat tgg ctt tca ttc tat gag aag aat tat gtg tgt
 Leu Thr Leu His Asn Trp Leu Ser Phe Tyr Glu Lys Asn Tyr Val Cys
 115 120

Fig. 6

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492	ggt	ggg	agg	gtg	aca	gga	cgg	ttc	tac	gga	gag	gat	ggg	ctg	ccc	acc	
	Val	Gly	Arg	Val	Thr	Gly	Arg	Phe	Tyr	Gly	Glu	Asp	Gly	Leu	Pro	Thr	145
	130					135				140							
540	ccg	gca	ctg	acc	cag	gta	gaa	gct	gcg	atc	acc	aga	ggc	ttg	gag	gcc	
	Pro	Ala	Leu	Thr	Gln	Val	Glu	Ala	Ala	Ile	Thr	Arg	Gly	Leu	Glu	Ala	
					150					155					160		
588	aac	aaa	cta	cag	ctg	caa	gag	aag	cag	aca	ttc	ccg	ccg	tgc	aac	gcg	
	Asn	Lys	Leu	Gln	Leu	Gln	Glu	Lys	Gln	Thr	Phe	Pro	Pro	Cys	Asn	Ala	
					165				170					175			
636	gag	tgg	agg	tca	gcc	agg	ggc	agc	cgg	ctc	tgg	tgc	tcc	cag	aag	agt	
	Glu	Trp	Ser	Ser	Ala	Arg	Gly	Ser	Arg	Leu	Trp	Cys	Ser	Gln	Lys	Ser	
			180					185					190				
684	gga	ggt	gtg	agc	aga	gac	tgg	att	ggc	gtc	ccc	agg	aag	ctg	tat	aag	
	Gly	Gly	Val	Ser	Arg	Asp	Trp	Ile	Gly	Val	Pro	Arg	Lys	Leu	Tyr	Lys	
							200					205					
732	cca	ggt	gct	aag	gag	ccc	cgc	tgc	gtg	tgt	gtg	aga	acc	acc	ggc	ccc	
	Pro	Gly	Ala	Lys	Glu	Pro	Arg	Cys	Val	Cys	Val	Arg	Thr	Thr	Gly	Pro	225
	210					215					220						
780	cct	agt	ggc	cag	atg	ccg	gac	aac	ccc	tcc	aca	cag	aaa	tcg	tgg	gga	
	Pro	Ser	Gly	Gln	Met	Pro	Asp	Asn	Pro	Ser	Thr	Gln	Lys	Ser	Trp	Gly	
					230					235					240		
828	cct	gga	cca	ccc	aaa	ctt	ggc	aga	gta	cac	agg	ctg	ccc	acc	gct	agc	
	Pro	Gly	Pro	Pro	Lys	Leu	Gly	Arg	Val	His	Arg	Leu	Pro	Thr	Ala	Ser	
									250					255			
870	cat	cac	atg	ctc	ctt	tcc	act	cta	agc	cgt	agc	ctc	ttc	tgt			
	His	His	Met	Leu	Leu	Ser	Thr	Leu	Ser	Arg	Ser	Leu	Phe	Cys			
								265					270				
								260									

Fig. 6A

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ctctaacaag gtaactgggt agcatgacat taaagcttgg gcaaggcttc aaacttaaaa
aaaaaaaaa aaaaagggc ggccgc

Fig. 6B

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48 cag cag gca gag gag gag cac tta gca gct tat tca gtg tcc gat tct gat
 Gln Gln 1 Ala Glu Glu 5 Glu His cca agc atg gaa tgc tgc cgt cgg gca act cct ggc
 1 tcc ggc aag gat ctc ctc ttt ctg gct ttc phe 40 ggc cys cys arg arg ala thr pro gly
 Ser Gly Lys Asp 20
 96 aca ctg ctc ctc ttc ctg gct ttc phe 40 ggc cys cys arg arg ala thr pro gly
 Thr Leu 35
 144 cgc tcc gag gag gac gac ggc ctg tgg gat gcc tgg ggc cca tgg
 Arg Ser Glu Glu Asp Arg 55
 192 agt gaa tgc tca cgc acc tgc ggc gga ggg ggc ala ser tcc ctg agg
 65 Ser Glu Cys Ser Arg 70
 240 cgc tgc ctg agc agc agc tgc ggc gga gga gga ggc ala ser tcc ctg agg
 Arg Cys Leu Ser 85
 288 aca tgc agt aat gat gac gac tgc cca cca gaa gaa gaa ggc ala ser tcc ctg agg
 Thr Cys Ser Asn Val 100
 336 cag caa tgc tca gct cat aat gat gac cct gac aac cca tgt tca ctc aag
 Gln Gln 115
 384 gaa tgg ctt cct ctg tct aat gat gac cct gac aac cca tgt tca ctc aag
 Glu Trp Leu Pro Val Ser 130
 432

Fig. 7

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480 tgc caa gcc aaa gga aca acc ctg gtt gtt gaa cta gca cct aag gtc
 Cys Gln Ala Lys Gly Thr Thr Leu Val Val Val Glu Leu Ala Pro Lys Val 160
 145
 528 tta gat ggt acg cgt tgc tat tgc ggt ggc tgc gat tgc atg atg tgc atc agt
 Leu Asp Gly Thr Arg Cys Tyr Thr Thr Cys Val Val Glu Ser Leu Asp Met Cys Ile Ser 175
 170
 576 ggt tta tgc caa att gtt ggc tgc gat gac cac cag ctg gga agc acc gtc
 Gly Leu Cys Gln Ile Val Val Gly Cys Asp His Gln Leu Gly Ser Thr Val 190
 185
 624 aag gaa gat aac tgt ggc gtc tgc aac gga gat ggc tcc acc tgc cgg
 Lys Glu Asp Asn Cys Gly Val Cys Asn Gly Asp Gly Ser Thr Cys Arg 205
 200
 672 ctg gtc cga ggg cag tat aaa tcc cag ctg tcc gca acc aaa tcg gat
 Leu Val Arg Gly Gln Tyr Tyr Lys Ser Ser Gln Leu Ser Ala Thr Lys Ser Asp 220
 215
 720 gat act gtg gtt gca att ccc tat gga agt aga cat att cgc ctt gtc
 Asp Thr Val Val Ala Ile Pro Tyr Gly Ser Arg His Ile Arg Leu Val 240
 225
 768 tta aaa ggt cct gat cac tta tat ctg gaa acc aaa acc ctc cag ggg
 Leu Lys Gly Pro Asp His Leu Tyr Leu Glu Thr Lys Lys Thr Leu Gln Gly 255
 245
 816 act aaa ggt gaa aac agt ctc agc tcc aca gga act ttc ctt gtg gac
 Thr Lys Gly Glu Asn Ser Ser Leu Ser Thr Thr Gly Thr Phe Leu Val Asp 270
 260
 864 aat tct agt gtg gac ttc cag aaa ttt cca gac aaa gag ata ctg aga
 Asn Ser Ser Val Asp Phe Gln Lys Phe Pro Asp Lys Glu Ile Leu Arg 285
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Fig. 7A

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1392	gga aat gca tgt aca ccc cta aga tgc cca tcg cgc agc cct gca aca	1500	tgacatgtgg ccagggcctc agataccgtg tggtcctctg catcgaccat cgaggaatgc
	Gly Asn Ala Cys Thr Pro Leu Arg Cys Pro Ser Arg Ser Pro Ala Thr	1560	acacaggagg ctgtagccca aaaacaaagc ccacataaa agaggaatgc atcgtaccca
1440	ttt ttg act gcc cta aat ggc tgg cac agg agt ggt ctc cgt gca cag	1620	ctccctgcta taaacccaaa gagaaacttc cagtcgaggc caagttgcca tggttcaaac
	Phe Leu Thr Ala Leu Asn Gly Trp His Arg Ser Gly Leu Arg Ala Gln	1680	aagctcaaga gctagaagaa ggagctgctg tgtcagagga gccctcgttc atcccagagg
465	450	1740	cctggtcggc ctgcacagtc acctgtggtg tggggaccca ggtgcgaata gtcagggtgc
	470	1800	aggtgctcct gtctttctct cagtcctgtg gcctgtttatg ctgacctgcc tattgacgag tgtgaaggcc
		1860	ccaagccagc atcccagcgt cagtcctgtg ggcctgtttg caggcccatg cagcggggaa attcctgagt
		1920	tcaaccacaga cgagacagat gggtctctttg gggccttga ggatttcgac gagctgtatg
		1980	actgggagta tgagggttc accaagtgtt cagagtcctg tggagtaggt gtccaggagg
		2040	ctgtggtgag ctgcttgaac aaacagactc gggagcctgc tgaggagaac ctgtgctga
		2100	ccagccgccc gcccccacag ctctgaagt cctgcaattt ggatccctgc ccagcaagg
		2160	gggaaattgg caagtggagt ccatgtagtc tcacatgtgg ggtcggccta cagaccagag
		2220	acgtcttctg cagccacctg ctttccagag agatgaatga aacagtcata ctggctgatg
		2280	agctgtgtcg ccagcccaag ccagcacgg cgtccagaac gtgtggcggg aattgcccc
		2340	cagcctggta ccttgcaag cagcgcattg gttccagaac ctctcctggag ggtgttcaga
		2400	aacgtgaggt agcttcaaaa cctgcctgcc ctgatggcag caagaaagat gactgtcca
		2460	ccttctgttc agcttcaaaa cctgcctgcc gttccacaag ctgctgggaa ggcaccaga
		2520	gcgagtggct tctctcagac tggacagagt gttccacaag ctgctgggaa ggcaccaga
		2580	ctcgaagcgc catttgccga aagatgctga aaaccggcat ctcaacgggtt gtcaattcca
		2640	ccctgtgccc gccctgcct ttctcttctt ccatacaggcc ctgtatgctg gcaacctgtg
		2689	caaggccccc gcggccatcc acgaagcaca gcccgccat cgcggccgc

Fig. 7C

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60 gtcgaccac gcgtcccggt ctggcctttc aaagtgtgca gttgtctcct cctgtccag
 120 ccccatcgtc gccaggacc agctgggccc cggcttgacc tgaggctgct gctcagcgcc
 180 gggcgctgg cgctctccat tcgagcacct tccagcatat cgctcggctc cgggagccgc
 240 tctgcaaagt tgggcagctc agagcgcaag ctttgccctc cgacttctcc ctccctgggt
 300 ccccgcgcc ccgcctccc acgatccctt tcactagtag cagccagctc cagcgggctg
 355 gcaacttgca ccccttccta gtcacccctc Met Leu Leu Arg
 1
 403 ggc gtc ctc ctg gcg ttg caa gcc ctg cag ctc ggc ggt gcc ctc gac
 Gly Val Leu Leu Ala Leu Gln Ala Leu 15
 451 ctc gtc gct ggc tcc tgt gcc ttt gaa gag agc act tgc ggc ttt gac
 Leu Pro Ala Gly Ser Cys 25
 499 tcc gtc ttg gcc tct ctg ccg tgg att tta aat gag gaa ggc cat tac
 Ser Val Leu Ala Ser Leu Leu Pro Trp Ile Leu Asn Glu Glu 45
 547 att tat gtg gat acc tcc ttt ggc aag gag ggg ggc aaa gct gtg ctg
 Ile Tyr Val Asp Thr Ser Ser Phe 60
 595 cta agt cct gac tta cag gct gag gaa tgg agc tgc ctc cgt ttg gtc
 Leu Ser Pro Asp Leu Gln Ala 75
 643 tac cag ata acc aca tct tcg gag tct ctg tca gat ccc agc cag ctg
 Tyr Gln Ile Thr Thr Ser Ser Ser Leu Ser 95
 691 aac ctc tac atg aga ttt gaa gat gaa agc ttt gat cgc ttg ctt tgg
 Asn Leu Tyr Met Arg Phe Glu Asp Glu Ser Phe Asp Arg Leu 115

Fig. 8

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739 tca gct aag gaa cct tca gac agc tgg ctc ata gcc agc ttg gat ttg
 Ser Ala Lys Glu Pro Ser Ser Asp Ser Trp Trp Leu Ile Ala Ser Leu Asp Leu
 120 125 130
 787 caa aac agt tcc aag aaa ttc aag phe Lys Ile att tta ata gaa ggt gta cta gga
 Gln Asn Ser Ser Lys Lys Lys Phe Lys Ile Ile Leu Leu Glu Gly Val Leu Gly
 135 140 145
 835 cag gga aac aca gcc agc atc gca cta ttt gaa atc aag atg aca acc
 Gln Gly Asn Thr Ala Ser Ile Ala Leu Phe Glu Ile Lys Met Thr Thr
 150 155 160
 883 ggc tac tgt att gaa tgt gac ttt gaa aat cat ctc tgt ggc ttt
 Gly Tyr Cys Ile Glu Cys Asp Phe Glu Glu Asn His Leu Cys Gly Phe
 165 170 175 180
 931 gtg aac cgc tgg aat ccc aat gtg aac tgg ttt gtt gga gga gga agt
 Val Asn Arg Trp Asn Pro Asn Val Val Asn Trp Phe Val Gly Gly Ser
 185 190 195
 979 att cgg aat gtc cac tcc att ctc cca cag gat cac acc ttc aag agt
 Ile Arg Asn Val His Ser Ile Leu Pro Gln Asp His Thr Phe Lys Ser
 200 205 210
 1027 gaa ctg ggc cac tac atg tac gtg gac tca gtt tat gtg aag cac ttc
 Glu Leu Gly His Tyr Met Tyr Val Val Asp Ser Val Tyr Tyr Lys His Phe
 215 220 225
 1075 cag gag gtg gca cag ctc atc tcc ccg ttg acc acg gcc ccc atg gct
 Gln Glu Val Ala Gln Leu Ile Ser Pro Leu Thr Thr Ala Pro Met Ala
 230 235 240
 1123 ggc tgc ctg tca ttt tat tac cag atc cag cag ggg aat gac aat gtc
 Gly Cys Leu Ser Phe Tyr Tyr Gln Ile Gln Gln Gly Asn Asp Asn Val
 245 250 255 260

Fig. 8A

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1171	ttt tcc ctt tac act cgg gat gtg gct ggc ctt tac gag gaa atc tgg	275
	Phe Ser Leu Tyr Thr Arg Pro Gly Ala Val Ala Trp	
1219	aaa gca gac agg cca ggg aat gct gcc tgg aac ctt gcg gag gtc gag	290
	Lys Ala Asp Arg Pro Gly Asn Ala Trp Asn Leu Ala Val Glu	
1267	ttc aat gct cct tac cct atg gcc ctg gtt att ttt gaa gtt gct ttc aat	305
	Phe Asn Ala Pro Tyr Thr Pro Met Glu Val Phe Glu Val Ala Phe Asn	
1315	ggt ccc aag gga ggt tat gtt gcc ctg gat gat att tca ttc tct cct	315
	Gly Pro Lys Gly Gly Thr Val Ala Leu Asp Asp Ile Ser Phe Ser Pro	
1363	gtt cac tgc cag aat cag aca gaa ctt ctg ttc agt gcc gtg gaa gcc	330
	Val His Cys Gln Asn Gln Thr Glu Leu Phe Leu Ser Ala Val Glu Ala	
1411	agc tgc aat ttt gag cca gat ctc tgc aac ttt tac caa gat aaa gaa	345
	Ser Cys Asn Phe Glu Thr Arg Gln Asp Leu Cys Asn Phe Tyr Gln Asp Lys Glu	
1459	ggt cca ggt tgg acc cga gtg aaa gta aaa cca aac atg tat cgg gct	360
	Gly Pro Gly Trp Thr Thr Arg Val Lys Val Lys Pro Asn Met Tyr Arg Ala	
1507	gga gac cac act aca ggc tta ggg tat tac ctg cta gcc aac aca aag	375
	Gly Asp His Thr Thr Thr Gly Leu Gly Tyr Leu Ala Asn Thr Lys	
1555	ttc aca tct cag cct ggc tac att gga agg ctc tat ggg ccc tcc cta	390
	Phe Thr Ser Gln Pro Gly Tyr Ile Gly Arg Leu Tyr Gly Pro Ser Leu	

Fig. 8B

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1603 cca gga aac ttg cag tat tgt ctg cgt ttt cat tat gcc atc tat gga
 Pro Gly 405 Asn Leu Gln Tyr 410 Cys Leu Arg Phe His 415 Tyr Ala Ile Tyr Gly 420
 1651 ttt tta aaa atg agt gac acc cta gca gtt tac atc ttt gaa gag aac
 Phe Leu Lys Met Ser Asp 425 Thr Leu Ala Val Tyr 430 Phe Glu Glu Asn 435
 1699 cat gtg gtt caa gag aag atc tgg tct gtg ttg gag tcc cca agg ggt
 His Val Val Gln Glu Lys 440 Ile Trp Ser Val Leu Glu Ser Pro Arg Gly
 1747 gtt tgg atg caa gct gaa atc acc ttt aag aag ccc atg cct acc aag
 Val Trp Met 455 Met Gln Ala Glu Ile Thr 460 Phe Lys Lys Pro Met Pro Thr Lys 465
 1795 gtg gtt ttc atg agc cta tgc aaa agt ttc tgg gac tgt ggg ctt gta
 Val Val Phe Met Ser Leu 470 Cys Lys Ser Phe Trp Asp 480 Cys Glu Leu Val 485
 1843 gcc ctg gat gac att aca ata caa ttg gga agc tgc tca tct tca gag
 Ala Leu Asp Ile Thr 490 Ile Gln Leu Gly Ser Cys Ser Ser Ser Ser 500
 1891 aaa ctt cca cct cac ctg gag agt gta ctt tcg agc aag atg aat gta
 Lys Leu Pro Pro His 505 Leu Glu Ser Val Leu Ser Ser Lys Met Asn Val 515
 1939 cat tta ctc agg aga aaa gaa acc gga gca gct ggc aca gga gga ggg
 His Leu Leu Arg Arg Lys Glu Thr 520 Gly Ala Ala Gly Thr Gly Gly Gly
 1987 gag aaa ctc cca ctt cct aca cag gac caa agg gag atc aca cta ctg
 Glu Lys Leu Pro Leu Pro Thr Gln Asp Gln Arg Glu Ile Thr Leu Leu 530
 535 540 545

* taggctacta catgtacatt gaggcctccc atatggtgta tggacaaaaa
 Gly

Fig. 8C

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2100 gacgcctct tgtccaggcc tctgcgagga gtctctggaa aacactgctt gaccttttc
2160 taccacatgt atggaggggg cactggcctg ctgagtgttt atctgaaaaa ggaagaagac
2220 agtgaagagt ccctcttatg gaggagaaga ggtgaacaga gcatctcctg gctacgagca
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2460 taagaaatga tctgcattgg atttactaga cgaaaacccat acctctcttc aatcaaaatg
2520 aaaacaaagc aaatgaatac tggacagtct taacaatttt acctctcttc aatgacttt
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Fig. 8D

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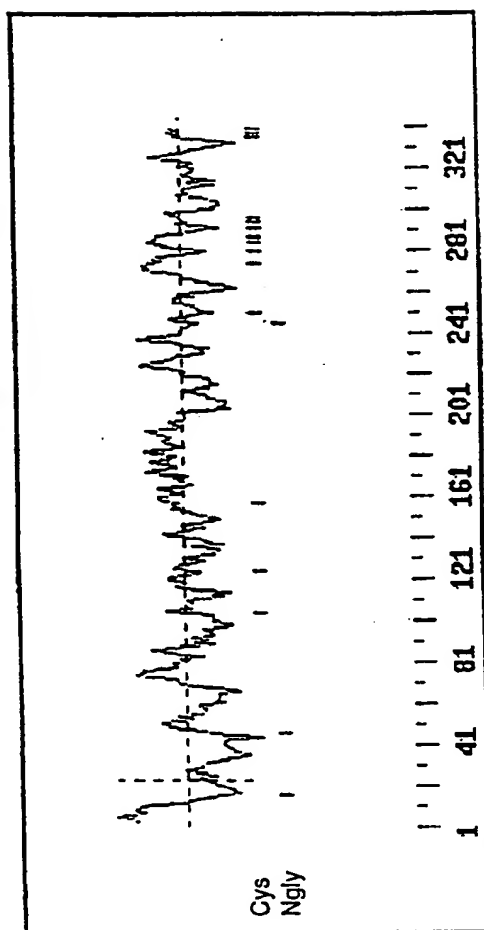
Hydropathy Plot for TANGO 128

Fig. 9

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Hydropathy Plot for TANGO 140-1

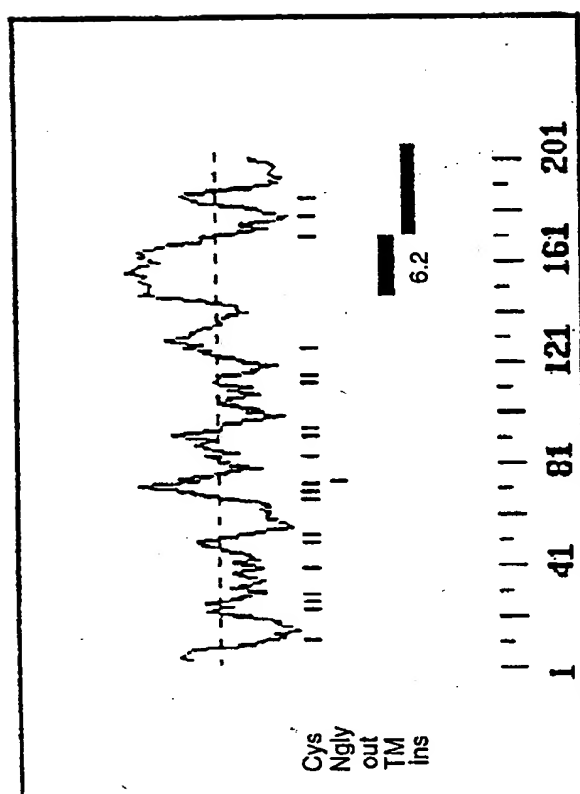
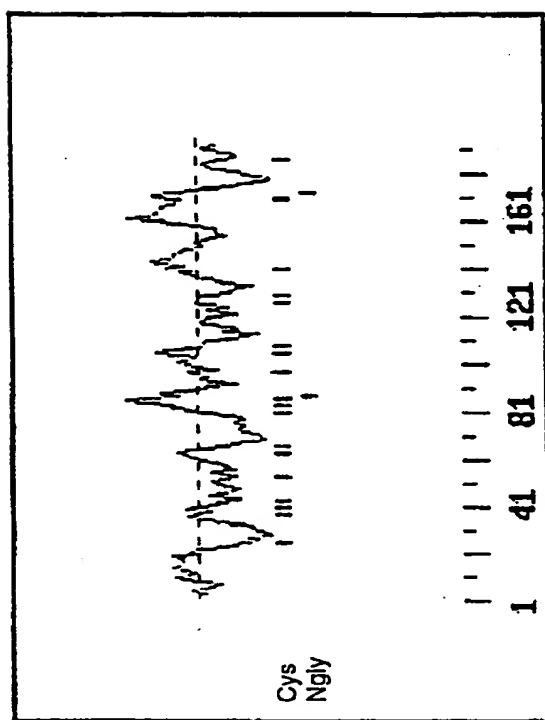


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Hydropathy Plot for TANGO 140-2*Fig. 11*

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Hydropathy Plot for TANGO 197

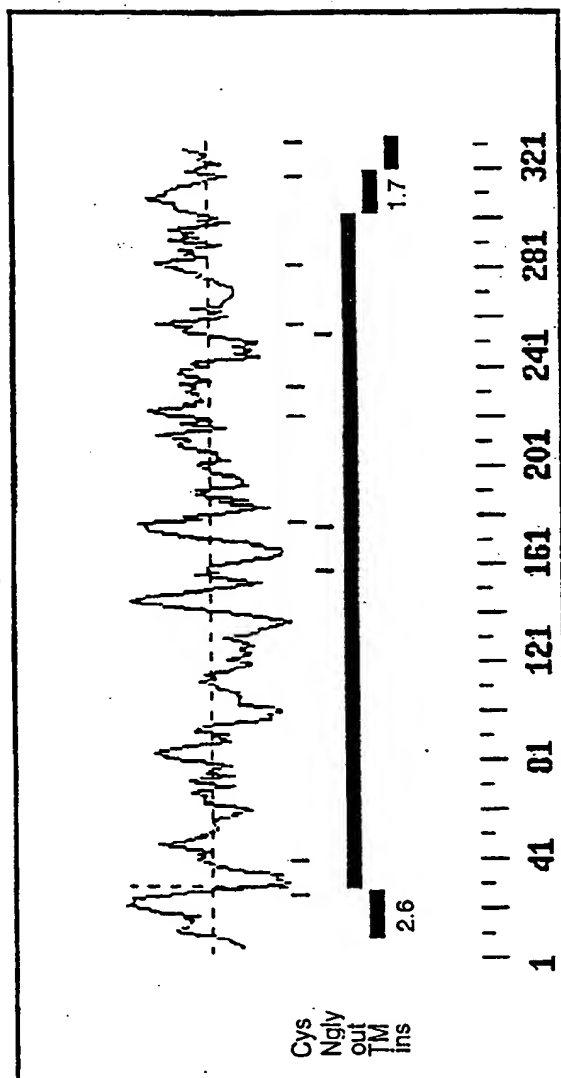


Fig. 12

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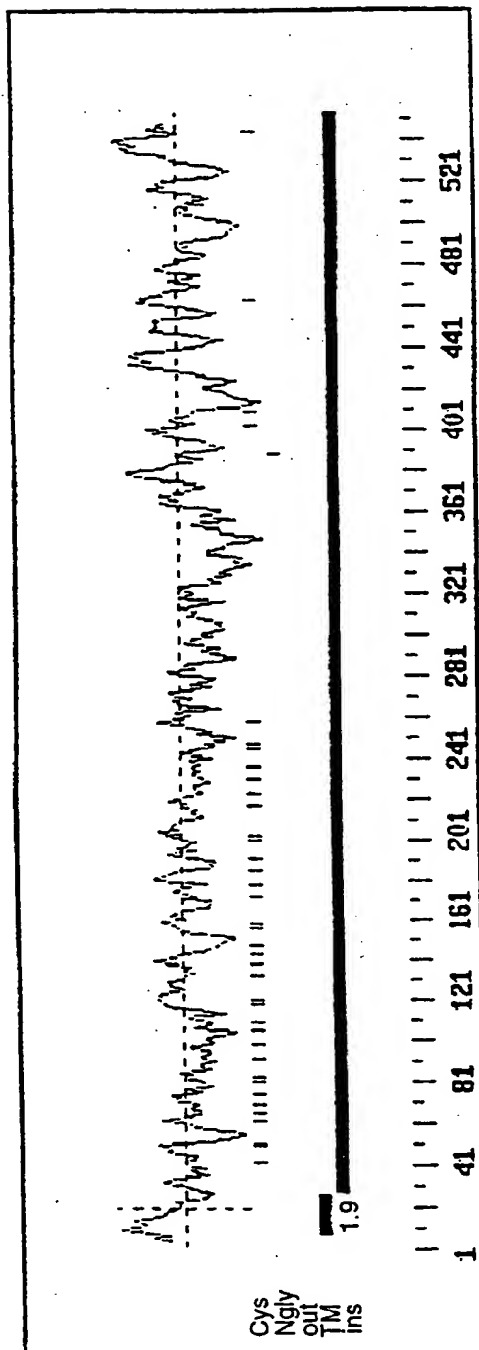
Hydropathy Plot for TANGO 212

Fig. 13

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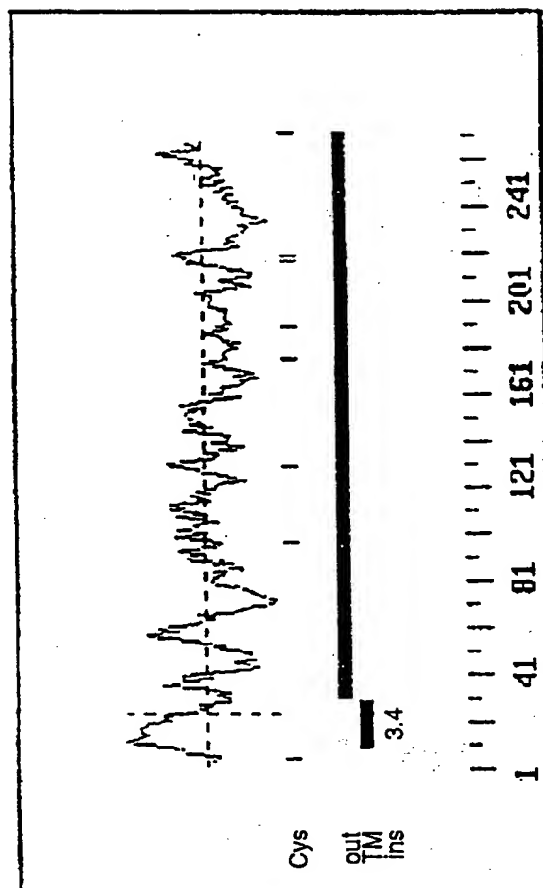
Hydropathy Plot for TANGO 213

Fig. 14

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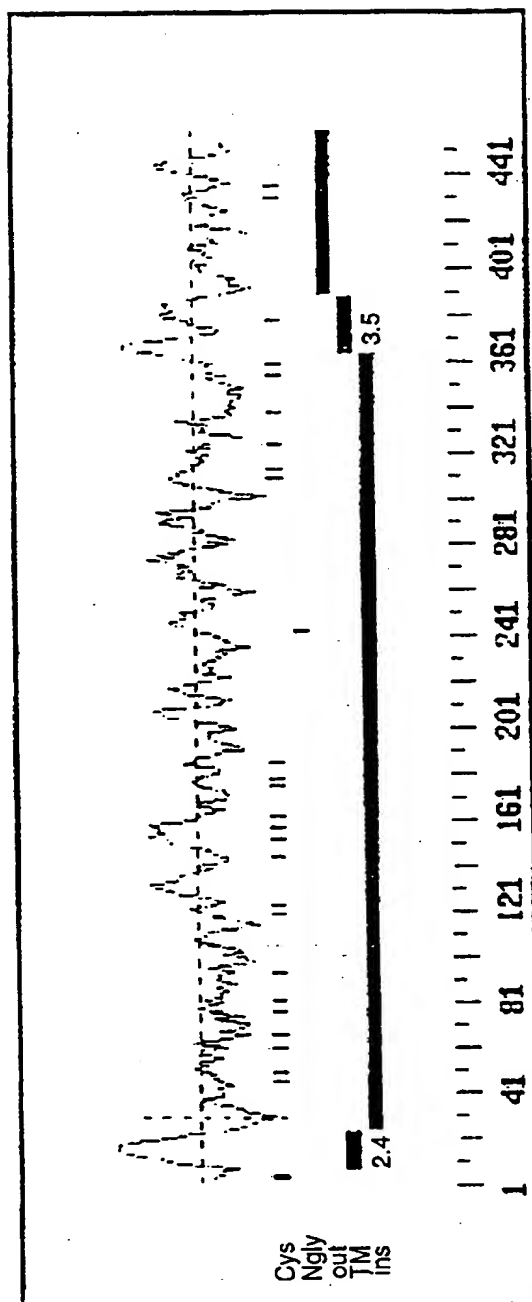
Hydropathy Plot for TANGO 224

Fig. 15

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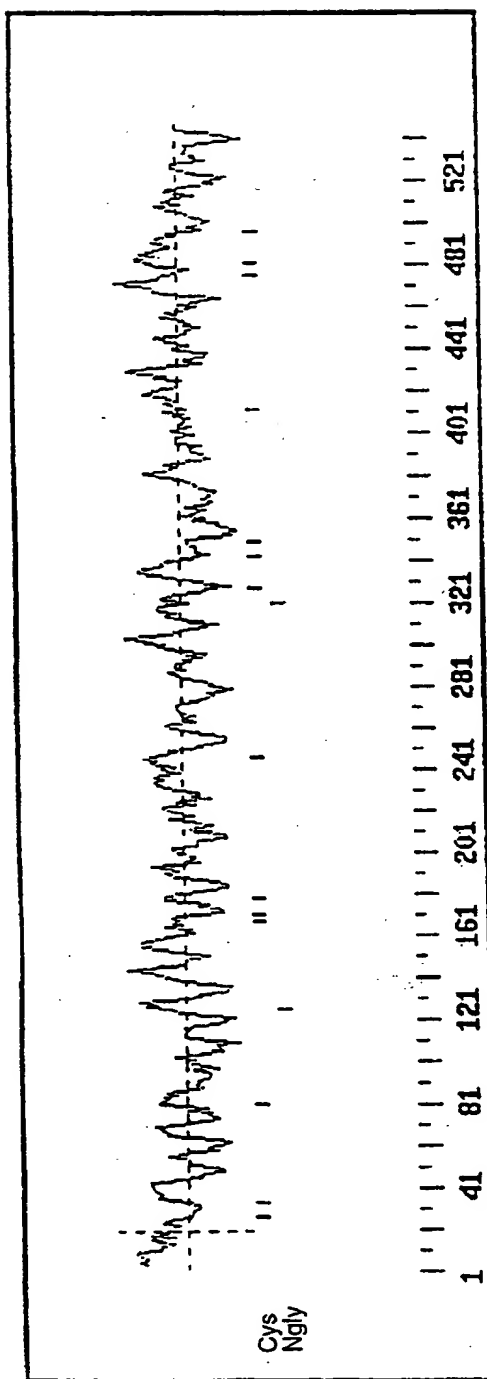
Hydropathy Plot for TANGO 239

Fig. 16

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Alignment of TANGO 128 and the PDGF Consensus Sequence

PDGF	*->lvwPpCVevkRCgG. . . CC. . NdesveCvPtevfnrvtvqvmkIei. .	
	++wP C vkrCgG+ CC +N +CvP++v V +++	
Tango128.p	IFWPGCLLVKRCGGncaCClhnCNECQCVCPSKVTKKYHEVLQLRPkt	315
PDGF	.vrkpkpkIkevs.VrLeqHlkCeCt*	
	+vr + k ++v Le H +C C	
Tango128.p	316 gVRGLH--KSLTdVALEHHEECDC	337
FIG 17		

Fig. 17

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Alignment of TANGO 128 and the CUB Consensus Sequence

CUB	*->CggnvfttssGtsitSPnYPndYppnkeCvWrIeappGhrvvvveLTF	90
Tango128.p	48 RII--TVSTNG-SIHSPRFPHTYPRNTVLVWRLVAVEEN-VWIIQLTF	
CUB	gdiFdledhdgapCrYDyleIrdgdsdkp1lGryCGersepPediVstsn	
Tango128.p	91 + F lEd ++ C+YD++E+ ++ + +lGr CG ++ p +i S++N	138
CUB	DERFGLPEDDICKYDFVEVEEPSDGT-ILGRWCGSGTVPGKQI-SKGN	
Tango128.p	139 rmlleFvSDasvqkr.GFkAry<-*	160
	+ +++FvSD+ + +GF ++y	
	QIRIRFVSDEYFPSEpGFCIH	

Fig. 18

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Alignment of TANGO 140-1 and the TNF-R Consensus Sequence

TNF-R		*->CeegvtYtd.enhlegClSsrCepemGqvlvspCta...tqnTvC<-	
		C+e+ +Y+d+++ + C+ C+rC p Gq+l+++C +++ ++ C	
Tango140pa	11	CQEN-EYWDqWG--R-CVTCQRCGP--GQELSKDCGYgeGGDAYC	49
Tango140pa		+	
TNF-R		+->CeegvtYtd.enhlegClSsrCepemGqvlvspCtatqntvC<-*	
		C+++ Y ++++h +C+sC C + v + +Ctat+n+vC	
Tango140pa	52	CPPR-RYKSsWGH-HKCQSCITCAV-INRVQKVNCITATSNVAVC	91

Fig. 19

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Alignment of TANGO 140-2 and the TNF-R Consensus Sequence

TNF-R		*->Ceegvtytd.enhlegClscsrCepemGqvlvspCta...tqnTvC<-	
		C+e+ +Y+d+++ + C+ C+rC p Gq+l+++C +++ ++ C	
AthKb140pa	25	CQEN-EYWDqWG--R-CVTCQRCGP--GQELSKDCGYgeGGDAYC	63
		+	
AthKb140pa	-	+>Ceegvtytd.enhlegClscsrCepemGqvlvspCtataqnTvC<--*	
TNF-R		C+++ Y +++++h +C+sc C + v + +Ctat+n+vC	
AthKb140pa	66	CPPR-RYKSsWGH-HKCQSCITCAV-INRVQKVNCATATSNVAVC	105

Fig. 20

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Fig. 21

Alignment of TANGO 212 and the EGF Consensus Sequence

EGF		*->Cnpntg.pClnGtCvntpggsvfggYtCeCpeGyalsytGkrC<-- C +++ C+ G+Cv C+C +G YtGk+C	91
Tango212.p	61	CEATCEpGCKF-GECVGN-----KRCFPG----YTGKTC	
EGF		*->CnpntgpClnGtCvntpggsvfggYtCeCpeGyalsytGkrC<-- C + + pC++ +Cvnt+g +y C+C G++l +C	132
Tango212.p	98	CGMKPRPCQH--RCVNTHG-----SYKCFCLSGHML-MPDATEC	
EGF		*->CnpntgpClnGtCvntpggsvfggYtCeCpeGyals.ytGkrC<-- C++ +C+ C +t++ g++C Cp + G++C	172
Tango212.p	138	CAMI--NCQY--SCEDTEE-----GPQCLCPSSGLRLaPNGRD	
EGF		*->CnpntgpClnGtCvntpggsvfggYtCeCpeGyals.ytGkr.C<-- C+++ C + +Cvnt g +y+C+C+ G+ l +G+++C	217
Tango212.p	178	CASGKVICPYNRRRCVNTFG-----SYCKCHIGFELQYISGRYdC	
EGF		*->CnpntgpClnGtCvntpggsvfggYtCeCpeGyals.ytGkrC<-- C+++ + C++++ C nt+g ++ C+C++G +++ G rC	
Tango212.p	223	CTMDSHTCShhancFNtQG-----SFKCKCKQG---YkGNGLRC	

Fig. 22

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Alignment of TANGO 212 and the MAM Consensus Sequence

MAM	*->dgCdFedgngKTVcgyiQdlsDDaeWerlnsstppPSTGTqDhtlv	430
Tango212.p	+C F g +C++ Qd DD++W + VDCSFNHG-----ICDWKQDREDDFDWNPADRDNA-----I-	
MAM	gqCKdsGffmlvntSegaeGe...rArLlspvLkPkrdqhCldFwYymsGk	472
Tango212.p	Gf+m v++ g+ +r Ll+p L P + Cl F Y + G -----GFYMAVPALAGHKKDigRLKLLLPDLQPQSNF-CLLFDYRLAG-	
MAM	snvgplsinrvdvnegkvpllntIwtvsGnpggrnWkrAeVtLnTfetke	515
Tango212.p	vg+1 + v+ n ++ w+++ + Wk +++ L + 473 DKVGKLRVFKNSNN-----ALAWKTTSEDEKWKTKGIQLYQGTDAT	
MAM	yqViFeGtkgDPGgssGgIAiDDIkltetpSPSqCpa<-*	546
Tango212.p	ife++ g +g G IA+D + l ++ Cp 516 KSIIFEAEERG--KGKTGEIAVDGVLLVSGL-----CPD	

Fig. 23

Alignment of TANGO 224 and the TSP-I Consensus Sequence

TSP-I	*->spWsewSpCSVTGkGirtRqRtncnsPaPqkkggkpCtgdaqeEtea	75
T224.pro 37	^{W++WS+CS} TCG+G + ^{RtC} SYSLRRCLSS ^{k+c+g} -----KSCCEGRNIR-YRT	
TSP-I	CdmmdkC<-*	
T224.pro 76	C + C	81
	C-SNVDC	

Fig. 24

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MAM		*->dgCdFedgnqKtvCgyiQdl sDDaeWerlnsstppPSTGptqDhtlv ++C Fe+ +Cg+ + ++s+p +	46
T239.pro	24	GSCAFEEs-----TCGF-----DSVLASLP-----WIL	
MAM		gqCKdsGffmlvntSegaeGerArLlspVlkPkrdqhCl dFwYym...sgk ++ G +++v+tS g Ge+A Llsp L + Cl Y ++s+	92
T239.pro	47	NE---EGHYIYVDTSFGKQGKEKAVLLSPDLQ-AEeWSCLRLVYQIttSSE	
MAM		sngvplsinvrvdvnegkvplllntIwtvsGnpgrnWkrAevtLnTfetke s ++p ++n++ + + ++ ++w p ++W+++A + L+ k+	138
T239.pro	93	SLSDPsQLNLYMRFEDE--SFDRLLWSAK-EPsDSLWLIASLDLQ-NSSKK	
MAM		yqViFeGtkgDPGgsGGIAiDDIkltetpSPSqCpa* ++ eG+ g g IA+ +Ik t + C	169
T239.pro	139	FKILIEGLG--QGNTASIALFEIKMTGY----CIE	
MAM:	domain 2 of 3	*->dgCdFedgnqKtvCgyiQdl sDDaeWerlnsstppPSTGptqDhtlv CdFe+ Cg+ + +W ++ +s ++qDht+ ++qDHT+	211
T239.pro	170	--CDFEENH---LCGFVRWNPNVNWFVGGSIRNVHSILPQDHTFK	
MAM		gqCKdsGffmlvnts.egaeGerArLlspVlkPkrdqhCl dFwYymsGks ++ G ++m+v+++ + e A L sp + + Cl+F=Y	256
T239.pro	212	SE--LGHYMYVDSYYVKHFQEVAQLISPLTT-APMAGCLSFYYYQIQQ-G	

Fig. 25

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MAM		nvgp1sinrvdvnegkvpl1ntIwtvsGnpgrnWkrAeVtLnTfetkey	
		n + +s+++r dv+ +1 Iw W++AeV n +	
T239.pro	257	NDNVFSLYTR-DVA---GLYEEIWKADRPONAAWNLAEEVEFN--APYPM	299
MAM		qViFeGtkgDPGgssGgIAiDDiKltetpSPSqCpa<--*	
		ViFe+ +. G G+ A+DDI+ + C	
T239.pro	300	EVIFEVAFN--GPKGGYVALDDISFSPVH----CQN	329
MAM:	domain 3 of 3,		
MAM		*->dgCdFedgnqKTVcgyiQdlSDDaewerlnsstppPSTGptqDhtlv	
		+C+Fe C++ Qd W I+ + DHT	
T239.pro	340	ASCNFEQD----LCNFYQD--KEGPGWTRVKVKN---MYRAGDHTT-	377
MAM		gqCKdsGffmlvntS.egaeGerArLlspvLkPkrdqhCldFwYymsG.k	
		+ G++ l nt + +G rL p L + q Cl F+Y +G	
T239.pro	378	-----GLGYLLANTKfTSQPGYIGRLYGPSLP-GNLQYCLRFHYAIYGfL	422
MAM		snvgplsinrvdvnegkvpl1ntIwtvsGnpgrnWkrAeVtLnTfetke	
		+ +++l +++ ++ + +Iw v p + W Ae+t +	
T239.pro	423	KMSDTLAVYIFEENH----VVQEKIWSVLESPrGVWMAEITFK--KPMP	466
MAM		yqViFeGt.kgDPGgssGgIAiDDiKltetpSPSqCpa+*	
		+V+F k+ G A+DDI++ + C	
T239.pro	467	TKVVFMSLCKS--FWDGGLVALDDITIQLS-----CSS	498

Fig. 25A

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 234 acagaagagg gctctaggaa aaacttttgg atg gga tta tgt gga aac tac cct
 Met Gly Leu Cys Gly Asn Tyr Pro
 1 5
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 Ala Ile Leu Cys Cys Gln Arg Thr Gly Thr Arg Ala Glu Ser Asn Leu
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 Ser Ser Lys Leu Gln Leu Ser Ser Asp Lys Glu Gln Asn Gly Val Gln
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 Asp Pro Arg His Glu Arg Val Val Thr Ile Ser Gly Asn Gly Ser Ile
 45 50 55
 426 cac agc ccg aag ttt cct cat aca tac cca aga aat atg gtg ctg gtg
 His Ser Pro Lys Phe Pro His Thr Tyr Pro Arg Asn Met Val Leu Val
 60 65 70
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 Trp Arg Leu Val Ala Val Asp Glu Asn Val Arg Ile Gln Leu Thr Phe
 75 80 85
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 Asp Glu Arg Phe Gly Leu Leu Glu Asp Pro Glu Asp Ile Cys Lys Tyr
 90 95 100
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 Asp Phe Val Gly Val Glu Glu Pro Ser Asp Gly Ser Val Leu Gly Arg
 105 110 115 120

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618
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 Trp Cys Gly Ser 125 Gly Thr Val Pro Xaa Lys Gln Thr Ser Lys Gly Asn
 135
 666
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 His Ile Arg 140 Ile Arg Phe Ala Ser Asp Glu Tyr Phe Pro Ser Glu Pro
 150
 714
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 Gly Phe Cys Ile His Tyr Ser 160 Ile Met Pro Gln Val Thr Xaa Thr
 165
 764
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 760 Thr Ser Pro Xaa Val Leu Pro Pro Ser Phe Val
 170 175 180
 tgct

Fig. 26A

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47 cc gcg tcc gct cag ttg gct cggtt gca gac agt aag gac cac gtg
 Ala Ser Ala Gln Leu Ala Arg Ile Ala Asp Ser Lys Asp His Val 15
 1
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 phe Pro Val Asn Asp Gly Phe Gln Ala Leu Gln Gly Ile Ile His Ser 30
 20
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 35
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 Ile Cys Ala Gly Glu Ser Phe Gln Val Val Arg Gly Asn Gly Phe 60
 55
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 Arg His Ala Arg Asn Val Asp Arg Val Leu Cys Ser Phe Lys Ile Asn 75
 65
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 100
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 Leu Gln Val Ser Met Asn Asp Gly Leu Ser Phe Ile Ser Ser Ser Val 125
 115
 431 atc atc acc acc aca cac tgt tca gac ggc tcc atc ctg gcg att gct
 Ile Ile Thr Thr Thr His Cys Ser Asp Gly Ser Ile Leu Ala Ile Ala 140
 130
 135

Fig. 27

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479	ctg	ctg	gtc	ctc	ctc	ctg	ctg	gcc	ctg	gcg	ctg	ctc	tgg	tgg	ttc
	Leu	Leu	Val	Leu	Phe	Leu	Leu	Ala	Leu	Ala	Leu	Leu	Trp	Trp	Phe
	145					150					155				
527	tgg	ccc	ctc	tgc	tgc	aca	gtg	atc	aag	gag	gtc	cct	cca	ccc	cct
	Trp	Pro	Leu	Cys	Cys	Thr	Val	Ile	Lys	Glu	Val	Pro	Pro	Pro	Pro
	160					165				170					175
575	gtt	gag	gag	agt	gag	gaa	gaa	gac	gat	ggt	ttg	cca	aag	aag	aaa
	Val	Glu	Glu	Ser	Glu	Glu	Glu	Asp	Asp	Gly	Leu	Pro	Lys	Lys	Lys
				180					185					190	
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	Trp	Pro	Thr	Val	Asp	Ala	Ser	Tyr	Gly	Gly	Arg	Gly	Val	Gly	Gly
				195				200					205		
671	att	aaa	aga	atg	gag	gtc	cgc	tgg	gga	aag	ggc	tcc	aca	gaa	gaa
	Ile	Lys	Arg	Met	Glu	Val	Arg	Trp	Gly	Lys	Gly	Ser	Thr	Glu	Glu
				210				215				220			
719	ggg	gcg	aag	tta	gaa	aag	gca	aag	aat	gca	cga	gtc	aag	atg	cga
	Gly	Ala	Lys	Leu	Glu	Lys	Ala	Lys	Asn	Ala	Arg	Val	Lys	Met	Pro
								230				235			Glu
767	caa	gaa	tat	gag	ttc	cca	gaa	ccc	cga	aac	ctc	aac	aac	atg	cgc
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	240					245					250				255
815	cgg	cct	tcc	tcg	cct	cgg	aag	tgg	tac	tcg	ccc	atc	aag	gga	ctc
	Arg	Pro	Ser	Ser	Pro	Arg	Lys	Trp	Tyr	Ser	Pro	Ile	Lys	Lys	Leu
				260						265				270	
863	gat	gcc	ttg	tgg	gtt	ctg	ctg	aga	aaa	gga	tat	gac	cga	gtg	gtg
	Asp	Ala	Leu	Trp	Val	Leu	Leu	Arg	Lys	Gly	Tyr	Asp	Arg	Val	Val
				275				280						285	

Fig. 27A

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911	atg agg cca cag cca gga gac acg gga cgc tgt atc aac ttc acc acc aga	300
	Met Arg Pro Gln Pro Gly Asp Thr Gly Arg Cys Ile Asn Phe Thr Arg	
959	gtg aag aac agt cag cca gcc aag tat ccc ctg aac aac acc tac cac	315
	Val Lys Asn Ser Gln Pro Ala Lys Tyr Pro Leu Asn Asn Thr Tyr His	
1007	ccc agc tcc cca cct ccc gct cct atc tac aca ccc cca ccc cct gct	335
	Pro Ser Ser Pro Pro Pro Ala Pro Ile Tyr Thr Pro Pro Pro Pro Ala	
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	Pro His Cys Pro Pro Pro Ala Pro Ser Ala Pro Thr Pro Pro Ile Pro	
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	Ser Pro Pro Ser Thr Leu Pro Pro Pro Pro Pro Gln Ala Pro Pro Pro Asn	
1145	agg gca cct ccc ccc tcc cga cct cct cca agg cct tct gtc	380
	Arg Ala Pro Pro Pro Pro Ser Arg Pro Pro Pro Arg Pro Ser Val	
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Fig. 27B

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Fig. 27C

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4145 gcaaagcctg atcttactca ccaggaggat gaaagggtt ttttagtta tctgagctca
4205 gctgagttat cactgttga gaaccgattt aaaggaatta gaatatgatt tctgaataca
4265 cataacatta aactcttctc ttttcttatg gtaatttagt tatggacgtt cagcgtctct
4325 gagttattgt tataaaagac ttgtcatcac cgcactgtgc tgtaggagac tgggctgaac
4385 ctgtacaatg gtataccctg gaagttgctt ttttaaaaaa aaataataat aaacacctaa
4417 aatcagaaaa aaaaaaaaaa aaggcgcc gc

Fig. 27D

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60 cagccactca cagctccaaa cggtcccccag ctctccacct ctgcgcgggc tgccacagag
 120 cctgccagct gcgcgcaaaa ccaaggtcct gaccagcgaa gcagagaaga ggcgggtggcc
 179 cctctgttct gtaggtcctg aggggctcag gacaagaag gagccaccc ccggccagt
 227 atg cag ccg ccc tgg ggc ctg gcg ctt cct ctg ctg ctc ccc tgg gtg
 Met Gln Pro Pro Trp Gly Leu Ala Leu Pro Leu Leu Pro Trp Val
 1 5 10 15
 275 aca ggt gga gta ggg acc agt cca tgg gat tat ggg ttg tca gca ctg
 Thr Gly Gly Val Gly Thr Ser Pro Trp Asp Tyr Gly Leu Ser Ala Leu
 20 25 30
 323 gca cac cag cct ggg gtc tgt cag tat gga act aag atg gcc tgc tgc
 Ala His Gln Pro Gly Val Cys Gln Tyr Gly Thr Lys Met Ala Cys Cys
 35 40 45
 371 tat ggc tgg aaa agg aac aac aag gga gta tgc gaa gct atg tgt gag
 Tyr Gly Trp Lys Arg Asn Asn Lys Gly Val Cys Glu Ala Met Cys Glu
 50 55 60
 419 ccc agg tgc aag ttc ggt gag tgt gtg gga ccg aat aaa tgt aga tgc
 Pro Arg Cys Lys Phe Gly Glu Cys Val Gly Pro Asn Lys Cys Arg Cys
 65 70 75 80
 467 ttt cca gga tac acc ggg aag acc tgc act caa gat gtg aat gag tgt
 Phe Pro Gly Tyr Thr Gly Lys Thr Cys Thr Arg Cys Val Asn Glu Cys
 85 90 95
 515 gga gtc aaa ccc cgg ccg tgc cag cac aga tgt gtg aat aca cat ggt
 Gly Val Lys Pro Arg Pro Cys Gln His Arg Cys Val Asn Thr His Gly
 100 105 110
 563 agc tac aaa tgc ttt tgc ctc agc ggc cac atg ctt cta cca gat gct
 Ser Tyr Lys Cys Phe Cys Leu Ser Gly His Met Leu Pro Asp Ala
 115 120 125

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611 aca tgt tca aac tcc agg acg tgt gcc aga cta aac tgc cag tac ggc
 Thr Cys Ser Asn Ser Arg Thr Cys Ala Arg Leu Asn Cys Gln Tyr Gly
 130 135 140
 659 tgt gaa gac aca gag gaa ggg cca cgg tgt gtg tgt cca tcc tct ggc
 Cys Glu Asp Thr Thr Glu Glu Gly Pro Arg Cys Val Cys Pro Ser Ser Gly
 145 150 155 160
 707 ctc cgc ctg ggc cca aat gga aga gta tgc cta gat atc gat gaa tgt
 Leu Arg Leu Gly Pro Asn Gly Arg Val Cys Leu Asp Ile Asp Glu Cys
 165 170 175
 755 gcg tct agc aaa gca gtc tgc cct tcc aat cga aga tgc gtg aac acg
 Ala Ser Ser Lys Ala Val Cys Pro Ser Asn Arg Arg Cys Val Asn Thr
 180 185 190
 803 ttt gga agc tac tac tgc aaa tgt cac att ggt ttt gag ctg aaa tat
 Phe Gly Ser Tyr Tyr Cys Lys Cys His Ile Gly Phe Glu Leu Lys Tyr
 195 200 205
 851 atc ggt cgc cga tat gat tgt gta gat ata aat gag tgt gct ctg aat
 Ile Gly Arg Arg Tyr Asp Cys Val Asp Ile Asn Glu Cys Ala Leu Asn
 210 215 220
 899 acc cat ccg tgc tgc agc ccc cat gcc aat tgc ctc aat acc cga gga tcc
 Thr His Pro Cys Ser Pro His Ala Asn Cys Leu Asn Thr Arg Gly Ser
 225 230 235 240
 947 ttc aag tgc aaa tgc aag cag gga tat agg ggc aat ggc ctg cag tgt
 Phe Lys Cys Lys Cys Lys Gln Gly Tyr Arg Gly Asn Gly Leu Gln Cys
 245 250 255
 995 tct gtg atc cct gaa cat tct gtg aag gaa ata ctc aca gca cct ggc
 Ser Val Ile Pro Glu His Ser Val Lys Glu Ile Leu Thr Ala Pro Gly
 260 265 270
 1043 acc atc aaa gac cga atc aag aag tta ctg gct cac aag cgc acc atg
 Thr Ile Lys Asp Arg Ile Lys Lys Leu Ala His Lys Arg Thr Met
 275 280 285

Fig. 28A

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1091	aag aaa aag aag gtg aaa cta aaa atg gtc acc cca aga ccc gcc agt aca Lys Lys Lys Val Lys Lys Leu Lys Met Val Thr Thr Pro Arg Pro Ala Ser Thr
1139	cgt gtc cct aag gtc aac ttg cct tac agc tct gag gag ggt gtt tcc Arg Val Pro Lys Val Asn Leu Pro Tyr Ser Ser Glu Glu Gly Val Ser
1180	agg ggc aga aac tat gat gga gaa caa aaa aaa a a a Arg Gly Arg Arg Tyr Asp Gly Glu Gln Lys Lys Lys Lys

Fig. 28B

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55 gtcgacccac gcgtccgcac ccgtaacgt atccgtctag ccg cct ctg ccg cca
 Pro Pro Leu Pro Pro 5
 1

103 tct ttg ttg agg cgg ata aac tgc cgg gat gca tcc aga gca ttt gtg
 Ser Leu Leu Arg Arg 10 Ile Asn Cys Arg Asp Ala Ser Arg Ala Phe Val
 15 20

151 aca gga gac tat tct gaa gcc ggt ctt gtg gat gat ata aat ggc ttg
 Thr Gly Asp Tyr Ser 25 Ser Glu Ala Gly Leu Val Asp Asp Ile Asn Gly Leu
 30 35

199 tcc tcc tct gag ata ctg acg ctg cac aac tgg ctt tca ttc tac gag
 Ser Ser Ser Glu Ile Leu Thr Leu 45 His Asn Trp Leu Ser Phe Tyr Glu
 40 50

247 aaa aat tat gta ttt gtc gga aga ctg gtt gga agg ttc tac aga aag
 Lys Asn Tyr Val Phe Val 60 Gly Arg Leu Val Gly Arg Phe Tyr Arg Lys
 55 65

295 gat ggg tta ccc act tca gaa cta acc cag gta gaa gcc atg gtg act
 Asp Gly Leu Leu Pro Thr Ser 75 Ser Glu Leu Thr Gln Val Glu Ala Met Val Thr
 70 80 85

343 aaa ggc atg gag gca aat gaa cag gaa caa aga gaa aag cag aag ttc
 Lys Gly Met Glu Ala Asn 90 Glu Gln Glu Gln Arg Glu Lys Gln Lys Phe
 95 100

391 cca cca tgc aat tcc gag tgg agc tct gct aag ggc agc agg ctc tgg
 Pro Pro Cys Asn Ser Glu Trp Ser Ser Ala Lys Lys Ser Arg Leu Trp
 105 110 115

439 tgc tcc caa aag agt gga ggt gtg cac aga gac tgg att ggt gtc ccc
 Cys Ser Gln Lys Ser Gly Gly Val His Arg Asp Trp Ile Gly Val Pro
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 Arg Lys Leu Tyr Lys Pro cca ggg gcc aag gag ccc cat His Cys Val Cys Val
 135 140 145
 aga aca act ggc cct cct agt gac cag caa gac aac cct aga cac tca
 Arg Thr Thr Gly Pro Pro Ser Ser Asp Gln Asp Asn Pro Arg His Ser
 150 155 160 165
 aat cat ggg gac ttg gac aac ccc aac ttg gaa gaa tac aca ggc tgc
 Asn His Gly Asp Leu Asp Asn Pro Asn Leu Glu Tyr Thr Gly Cys
 170 175 180
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 cca cca ctg gct acc aca tgt tcc ttc cca ctc taagatgggtg tcctgtatgt
 Pro Pro Leu Ala Thr Thr Cys Ser Phe Pro Leu
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 ggctgacaca tggagaacct tccagatcta cagaagagccc tcgatcttgt gccctagcat
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 caattctact ggctgagaca agagcctgat agcctatctc atatggtcag cttgttctga
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 aggtcagcct tgaactcagt atgtaagcat gtgctcccat gcccagttta gtcagtagga
 ggggttgaat gaaccggagc cacatacatg ctaggcaagc actttaccac ctgagctata
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Fig. 29A

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aaaaaaaaag gcggccgc

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60	cagcaggcag	aggagcactt	agcagcttat	tcagtgctcg	attctgattc	cggaaggat
108	ccaagc	atg gaa	tgc tgc	cgt cgt	gca act	cct cct ggc aca
	Met	Glu Cys	Cys Arg	Arg Ala	Thr Pro	Gly Thr Leu Leu Leu
	1	5	10	15	20	25
156	ttt ctg	gct ttc	ctg ctg	ctc ctg	agc agt	tcc gca cgc tcc
	Phe Leu	Ala Phe	Leu Leu	Leu Ser	Thr Arg	Thr Ala Arg Ser
	15	20	25	30	35	40
204	gac cgg	gac ggc	ctg ctg	tgg gat	gcc tgg	ggc cca tgg
	Arg Asp	Arg Gly	Leu Gly	Trp Asp	Ala Trp	Gly Pro Trp
	35	40	45	50	55	60
252	cgc acc	tgc ggg	gga ggg	gcc gcc	tcc tac	tct ctg
	Arg Thr	Cys Cys	Gly Gly	Ala Ser	Tyr Ser	Leu Arg
	60	65	70	75	80	85
300	agc aag	agc tgt	gaa gaa	aga aga	aat atc	cga tac
	Ser Lys	Ser Cys	Glu Gly	Arg Arg	Asn Ile	Arg Tyr
	80	85	90	95	100	105
348	gtg gac	tgc cca	cca cca	gaa gaa	gca gca	ggt gat
	Val Asp	Cys Cys	Pro Pro	Glu Glu	Ala Ala	Gly Asp
	100	105	110	115	120	125
396	gct cat	aat gat	gac cct	gac cct	gac cca	aac cca
	Ala His	Asn Asp	Val Val	Val Val	Val Val	Val Val
	120	125	130	135	140	145
444	gtg tct	aat gat	gac cct	gac cct	gac cca	aac cca
	Val Ser	Asn Asp	Pro Asp	Pro Asp	Pro Asp	Pro Asp
	140	145	150	155	160	165
492	gga aca	acc acc	ctg gtt	gaa gaa	cta gca	cct aag
	Gly Thr	Thr Thr	Leu Val	Glu Glu	Ala Leu	Pro Lys
	160	165	170	175	180	185

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 cgt tgc tat tgc tct ttt gaa gaa tct ttt ggt gat atg tgc atc agt ggt tta tgc caa
 Arg Cys Tyr 145 Thr Glu Ser Leu 150 Asp Met Cys Ile Ser Gly Leu Cys Gln
 155
 588
 att gtt ggc tgc tgc cac gac gga ggt ggc tcc acc tgc cgg ctg gtc gtc cga ggg
 Ile Val Gly Cys Asp His 165 Gln Leu Gly Asp Ala Thr Lys Ser Ser Asp Thr Val Val
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 636
 tgt ggg gtc tgc aac gga gac gga ggt ggc tcc acc tgc cgg ctg gtc gtc cga ggg
 Cys Gly Val Cys Asn 180 Gly Asp Ser Ala Thr Lys Ser Ser Asp Thr Val Val
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 684
 cag tat aaa tcc cag ctc tcc gca acc aaa tcc ggc tcc ggc gtc gtc gtc gtc gtc gtc
 Gln Tyr Lys Ser 195 Gln Leu Ser Ser Ala Thr Lys Ser Ser Asp Thr Val Val
 200
 732
 gca att ccc tat gga agt aga cat att cgc ctt gtc tta aaa ggt ggt cct
 Ala Ile Pro 210 Tyr Gly Ser Arg His 215 Ile Arg Leu Val Leu Lys Gly Pro
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 780
 gat cac tta tat ctg gaa acc aaa act ttc ctt gtc ggc ggt ggt ggt ggt ggt ggt
 Asp His Leu Tyr 225 Leu Glu Thr Lys Thr Leu Gln Gly Thr Lys Gly Gly Glu
 230
 828
 aac agt ctc agc tcc aca gga act ttc ctt gtc gac aat tct agt ggt ggt
 Asn Ser Leu Ser 240 Thr Thr Gly Thr Phe Leu Val Asp Asn Ser Ser Val
 245
 876
 gac ttc cag aaa ttt cca gac gac gac gac gac gac gac gac gac gac gac gac gac
 Asp Phe Gln Lys Phe 260 Pro Asp Lys Lys Glu Ile Leu Arg Met Ala Gly Pro
 265
 924
 ctc aca gca gat ttc att gtc aag att cgt aac tcg ggc tcc gct gac
 Leu Thr Ala Asp Phe 275 Ile Val Lys Ile Arg Asn Ser Gly Ser Ala Asp
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Fig. 30A

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972 agt aca gtc cag ttc atc ttc tat caa ccc atc atc cac cga tgg agg
 Ser Thr Val Gln Phe Ile Phe Tyr 290
 1020 gag acg gat ttc ttt cct tgc tca gca acc tgt gga gga ggt tat cag
 Glu Thr Asp Phe Phe Pro Cys Ser 310
 1068 ctg aca tcg gct gag tgc tac gat ctg agg agc aac cgt gtg gtt gct
 Leu Thr Ser Ala Glu Cys Tyr 325
 1116 gac caa tac tgt cac tat tac cca gag aac atc aaa ccc aaa ccc aag
 Asp Gln Tyr Cys His Tyr 340
 1164 ctt cag gag tgc aac ttg gat cct tgt cca gcc cag agg gtt ggc att
 Leu Gln Glu Cys Asn 355
 1212 att gtt cct aac agt gac gga tac aag gag gcc acc cca tgg acc gcg tgc tcc
 Ile Val Pro Asn Ser Asp Gly Tyr 375
 1260 tac cat ccc ctt cct cgg tgg gag gcc acc cca tgg acc gcg tgc tcc
 Tyr His Pro Leu Pro Arg Trp Glu Ala Thr 390
 1308 tcc tcg tgt ggg ggg ggg ggc atc cag agc cgg gca gtt tcc tgt gtg gag
 Ser Ser Cys Gly Gly Gly Ile 405
 1356 gag gac atc cag ggg cat gtc act tca gtg gaa gag tgg aaa tgc atg
 Glu Asp Ile Gln Gly His Val Thr Ser Val Glu Glu Trp Lys Cys Met 430

Fig. 30B

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1404	tac acc cct aag atg ccc atc gcg cag ccc tgc aac att ttt gac tgc	Tyr Thr Pro Lys Met 435	Pro Ile Ala Gln Pro 440	Cys Asn Ile Phe 445	gac Asp Cys
1452	cct aaa tgg ctg gca cag gag tgg tct ccg tgc aca gtg aca tgt ggc	Pro Lys Trp Leu 450	Gln Ala Trp Ser 455	Cys Thr Val Thr 460	Cys Gly
1500	cag ggc ctc aga tac cgt gtg gtc ctt tgc atc gac cat cga gga atg	Gln Gly Leu Arg 465	Arg Tyr Val Val 470	His Arg Asp 475	Gly Met
1548	cac aca gga ggc tgt agc cca aaa aca aag ccc cac ata aaa gag gaa	His Thr Gly Cys Ser 480	Pro Lys Thr Thr 485	His Ile Lys 490	Glu Glu
1596	tgc atc gta ccc act ccc tgc tat aaa ccc aaa gag aaa ctt cca gtc	Cys Ile Val Pro Thr 495	Pro Cys Tyr Lys 500	Glu Lys Leu Pro 505	Val
1644	gag gcc aag ttg cca tgg ttc aaa cca gct caa gag cta gaa gaa gga	Glu Ala Lys Leu 510	Pro Trp Phe Lys 515	Gln Glu Leu Glu 520	Gly
1692	gct gct gtg tca gag gag ccc tcg ttc aaa cca gct cca gag gcc tgg gcc	Ala Ala Val Ser Glu 530	Glu Pro Ser Ser 535	Ala Trp Ser 540	Ala
1740	tgc aca gtc acc tgt ggt ggt ggc ggc ggc ggc ggc ggc ggc ggc	Cys Thr Val Thr Cys 545	Gly Val Thr Thr 550	Arg Ile Val Arg 555	Cys
1788	cag gtg ctc ctg tct ttc ttc ttc ttc ttc ttc ttc ttc ttc ttc	Gln Val Leu Leu Ser 560	Ser Phe Ser Ser 565	Ala Asp Leu Pro 570	Ile Asp
1836	gag tgt gaa ggg ccc aag cca gca tcc cag cgt gcc tgt tat gca ggc	Glu Cys Glu Gly Pro 575	Pro Ala Ser Ser 580	Arg Ala Cys Tyr 585	Gly

Fig. 30C

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2316 ttt aat tgc ccc cca gcc tgg tac cct gca cag tgg cag ccg tgt tcc
 phe Asn Cys Pro Ala Trp Tyr Pro Ala Gln Trp Gln Pro Cys Ser 750
 735
 2364 aga acg tgt ggc ggc ggt gtt cag aaa cgt gag gtt ctt tgc aag cag
 Arg Thr Cys Gly Gly Gly Val Gln Lys Arg Glu Val Leu Cys Lys Gln
 755 760 765
 2412 cgc atg gct gat ggc agc ttc ctg gag ctt cct gag acc ttc tgt tca
 Arg Met Ala Asp Gly Ser phe Leu Glu Leu Pro Glu Thr Phe Cys Ser
 770 775 780
 2460 gct tca aaa cct gcc tgc cag caa gca tgc aag aaa gat gac tgt ccc
 Ala Ser Lys Pro Ala Cys Gln Gln Ala Cys Lys Lys Asp Thr Ser Cys Pro
 785 790 795
 2508 agc gag tgg ctt ctc tca gac tgg aca gag tgt tcc aca agc tgc ggg
 Ser Glu Trp Leu Ser Asp Trp Thr Glu Cys Ser Thr Ser Cys Gly
 800 805 810
 2556 gaa ggc acc cag act cga agc gcc att tgc cga aag atg ctg aaa acc
 Glu Gly Thr Gln Thr Arg Ser Ala ile Cys Arg Lys Met Leu Lys Thr
 815 820 825 830
 2604 ggc atc tca acg gtt gtc aat tcc acc ctg tgc ccg ccc ctg cct ttc
 Gly ile Ser Thr Val Val Asn Ser Thr Leu Cys Pro Pro Leu Pro Phe
 835 840 845
 2652 tct tcc tcc atc agg ccc tgt atg ctg gca acc tgt gca agg ccc ggg
 Ser Ser Ser ile Arg Pro Cys Met Leu Ala Thr Cys Ala Arg Pro Gly
 850 855 860
 2689 cgg cca tcc acg aag cac agc ccg cac atc gcg gcc g
 Arg Pro Ser Thr Lys His Ser Pro His ile Ala Ala
 865 870

Fig. 30E

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60 gtcgacccac gcgtcccgagg ctggcctttc aaagtgtgca gttgtctcct ccctgtccag
 120 ccccatcgtc gcccaggacc agctgggccc cggtctgacc tgaggctgct gctcagcgcc
 180 gggcgctgg cgctctccat tccagcacct tccagcatat ccgtcggctc cgggagccgc
 240 tctgcaaaagt tgggcagctc agagcgcaag ctttgccctt cgacttctcc ctcttgggt
 300 ccccgcgcc cccgcctccc acgatccctt tcaactaggag cagccagtc cagcgggctg
 355 gcaacttgca ccccttcccta gtcacccctcc ctgaaacgag acc atg ctg tta agg
 Met Leu Leu Arg
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403 ggc gtc ctc ctg gcg ttg caa gcc ctg cag ctc ggc ggt gcc ctc gac
 Gly Val Leu Leu Ala Leu Gln Ala Leu 15
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451 ctg ccc gct ggg tcc tgt gcc ttt gaa gag agc act tgc ggc ttt gac
 Leu Pro Ala Gly Ser Cys Ala Phe Glu Glu Ser Thr Cys Gly Phe Asp
 25 30 35

499 tcc gtg ttg gcc tct ctg ccg tgg att tta aat gag gaa ggc cat tac
 Ser Val Leu Ala Ser Leu Pro Trp Ile Leu Asn Glu Glu Lys Ala Val Leu
 40 45 50

547 att tat gtg gat acc tcc ttt ggc aag cag ggg gag aaa gct gtg ctg
 Ile Tyr Val Asp Thr Ser Phe Gly Lys Glu Glu 60
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595 cta agt cct gac tta cag gct gag gaa tgg agc tgc ctc cgt ttg gtc
 Leu Ser Pro Asp Leu Gln Ala Glu Glu Trp Ser Cys Leu Arg Leu Val
 70 75 80

643 tac cag ata acc aca tct tcg gag tct ctg tca gat ccc agc cag ctg
 Tyr Gln Ile Thr Thr Ser Ser Glu Ser Leu Ser Asp Pro Ser Gln Leu
 85 90 95 100

691 aac ctc tac atg aga ttt gaa gat gaa agc ttt gat cgc ttg ctt tgg
 Asn Leu Tyr Met Arg Phe Glu Asp Glu Ser Phe Asp Arg Leu Leu Trp
 105 110 115

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739 tca gct aag gaa cct tca gac agc tgg ctc ata gcc agc ttg gat ttg
 Ser Ala Lys Glu Pro Ser Asp Ser Trp Leu Ile Ala Ser Leu Asp Leu
 120 125 130
 787 caa aac agt tcc aag aaa ttc aag att tta ata gaa ggt gta cta gga
 Gln Asn Ser Ser Lys Lys Phe Lys Ile Leu Ile Glu Gly Val Leu Gly
 135 140 145
 835 cag gga aac aca gcc agc atc gca cta ttt gaa atc aag atg aca acc
 Gln Gly Asn Thr Ala Ser Ile Ala Leu Phe Glu Ile Lys Met Thr Thr
 150 155 160
 883 ggc tac tgt att gaa tgt gac ttt gaa gaa aat cat ctc tgt ggc ttt
 Gly Tyr Cys Ile Glu Cys Asp Phe Glu Glu Asn His Leu Cys Gly Phe
 165 170 175 180
 931 gtg aac cgc tgg aat ccc aat gtg aac tgg ttt gtt gga gga agt
 Val Asn Arg Trp Asn Pro Asn Val Asn Trp Phe Val Gly Gly Ser
 185 190 195
 979 att cgg aat gtc cac tcc att ctc cca cag gat cac acc ttc aag agt
 Ile Arg Asn Val His Ser Ile Leu Pro Gln Asp His Thr Phe Lys Ser
 200 205 210
 1027 gaa ctg ggc cac tac atg tac gtg gac tca gtt tat gtg aag cac ttc
 Glu Leu Gly His Tyr Met Tyr Val Asp Ser Val Tyr Val Lys His Phe
 215 220 225
 1075 cag gag gtg gca cag ctc atc tcc ccg ttg acc acg gcc ccc atg gct
 Gln Glu Val Ala Gln Leu Ile Ser Pro Leu Thr Thr Ala Pro Met Ala
 230 235 240
 1123 ggc tgc ctg tca ttt tat tac cag atc cag ggg aat gac aat gtc
 Gly Cys Leu Ser Phe Tyr Tyr Gln Ile Gln Gln Gly Asn Asp Asn Val
 245 250 255 260

Fig. 31A

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1171	ttt tcc ctt tac act cgg gat gtg gct ggc ctt tac gag gaa atc tgg phe ser leu tyr thr arg asp val ala gly leu tyr glu ile trp
1219	aaa gca gac agg cca ggg aat gct gcc tgg aac ctt gcg gag gtc gag lys ala asp arg pro gly asn ala ala trp asn leu ala glu val glu
1267	ttc aat gct cct tac cct tac ccc atg gag gtt att ttt gaa gtt gct ttc aat phe asn ala pro tyr pro met glu val ile phe glu val ala phe asn
1315	ggt ccc aag gga ggt tat gtt gcc ctg gat gat att ttc tca ttc tct cct gly pro lys gly gly tyr thr val ala leu asp phe ile ser phe ser pro
1363	gtt cac tgc cag aat cag aca gaa ctt ctg ttc agt gcc gtg gaa gcc val his cys gln asn gln thr glu leu phe phe ser ala val glu ala
1411	agc tgc aat ttt gag caa gat ctc tgc aac ttt tac caa gat aaa gaa ser cys asn phe phe glu gln gln asp leu cys asp phe tyr gln asp lys glu
1459	ggt cca ggt tgg acc cga gtg aaa gta aaa cca aac atg tat cgg gct gly pro gly trp thr arg val lys val lys pro asn met tyr arg ala
1507	gga gac cac act aca ggc tta ggg tat tac ctg cta gcc aac aca aag gly asp his thr thr gly leu gly tyr leu leu ala asn thr lys
1555	ttc aca tct cag cct ggc tac att gga agg ctc tat ggg ccc tcc cta phe thr ser gln pro gly tyr ile gly arg leu tyr gly pro ser leu

Fig. 31B

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1603 cca gga aac ttg cag tat tgt ctg cgt ttt cat tat gcc atc tat gga
 Pro Gly 405 Asn Leu Leu Gln Tyr Cys Leu Arg Phe His Tyr Ala Ile Tyr Gly 420
 1651 ttt tta aaa atg agt agt gac gac acc cta gca gtt tac atc ttt gaa gag aac
 Phe Leu Lys Met Ser Asp Thr Leu Ala Val Tyr Ile Phe Glu Glu Asn 435
 1699 cat gtg gtt caa gag aag atc tgg tct gtg ttg gag tcc cca agg ggt
 His Val Val Gln Glu Lys Ile Trp Ser Val Leu Glu Ser Pro Arg Gly 450
 1747 gtt tgg atg caa gct gaa atc acc ttt aag aag ccc atg cct acc aag
 Val Trp Met Gln Ala Glu Ile Thr Phe Lys Lys Pro Met Pro Thr Lys 465
 1795 gtg gtt ttc atg agc cta tgc aaa agt ttc tgg gac tgt ggg ctt gta
 Val Val Phe Met Ser Leu Cys Lys Ser Phe Trp Asp Cys Gly Leu Val 480
 1843 gcc ctg gat gac att aca ata caa ttg gga agc tgc tca tct tca gag
 Ala Leu Asp Asp Ile Thr Ile Gln Leu Gly Ser Cys Ser Ser Ser Glu 500
 1891 aaa ctt cca ccc tca cct gga gag tgt act ttc gag caa gat gaa tgt
 Lys Leu Pro Pro Ser Pro Gly Glu Cys Thr Phe Glu Asp Glu Cys 515
 1939 aca ttt act cag gag aaa aga aac cgg agc agc tgg cac agg agg
 Thr Phe Thr Gln Glu Lys Arg Asn Arg Ser Ser Trp His Arg Arg Arg 530
 1987 gga gaa act ccc act tcc tac tca gga cca aag gga gat cac act act
 Gly Glu Thr Pro Thr Ser Tyr Thr Thr Gly Pro Lys Gly Asp His Thr Thr 545
 2035 ggg gta ggc tac tac atg atg gag gcc tcc cat atg gtg tat gga
 Gly Val Gly Tyr Tyr Met Tyr Ile Glu Ala Ser His Met Val Tyr Gly 560

Fig. 31C

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2083
 caa aaa gca cgc ctc ttg tcc agg cct ctg cga gga gtc tct gga aaa
 Gln Lys Ala Arg Leu Ser Arg Pro Leu Arg Gly Val Ser Gly Lys
 565 570 575 580
 2131
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 His Cys Leu Thr Phe Tyr His Met Tyr Gly Gly Thr Gly Leu
 585 590 595
 2179
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 Leu Ser Val Tyr Leu Lys Lys Glu Glu Asp Ser Glu Ser Leu Leu
 600 605 610
 2227
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 Trp Arg Arg Arg Gly Glu Gln Ser Ile Ser Trp Leu Arg Ala Leu Ile
 615 620 625
 2275
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 Glu Tyr Ser Cys Glu Arg Gln His Gln Ile Ile Phe Glu Ala Ile Arg
 630 635 640
 2323
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 Gly Val Ser Ile Arg Ser Asp Ile Ala Ile Asp Val Lys Phe Gln
 645 650 655 660
 2371
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 Ala Gly Pro Cys Gly Glu Met Glu Asp Thr Thr Gln Gln Ser Ser Gly
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 Tyr Ser Glu Asp Leu Asn Glu Ile Glu Tyr
 680 685
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 2781
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 2841
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Fig. 31D

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2901 atatctgcag aatgaatgca gtctttcatg ctaatgagtt agtctggaaa aataaagtctt
2961 tattttctat gtttttattca tagaaatgga gtattaattt ttaataattt caccatatgt
3021 gataacaaaag gatcttttcat gaatgtccaa ttattccccc ttgtaagtca gtattaatta atgctgtatt
3081 acaaggcaat gctaccttct ttttttgtaa gttaaacaaat ttactgatt tttataataa atatttttgg
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3201 ccagcaactt ttataaatgt tttaactgatt tttataataa atatttttgg
3261 aagatttttga ataatatgaa tttaggcaga tatactaaac tgctttttatt tactttgttta
3321 gaaaatttga tataatatgt tttaggcaga tatactaaac tgctttttatt tactttgttta
3381 aataaaaaata atttgaaaat caaaaaaaaaa aacagctgct atgaaatttat aaaatttacct
3413 aaaaaaaaaa aaaaaaaaaa aaaaaaaaaa aaaaaaaaaa aaaaaaaaaa aaaaaaaaaa
gg

Fig. 31E

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 120 tctgctcctc agactcttctg aatttgagca gctgtggca tccccagca ggtccccag
 180 ctccctgcct agcacctcc ctccctagg agcagcgccg cacagtgcg cagcagcctt
 232 cgcgggtcct cctgcctgaa gttcaact atg cta cta gaa ggg gtc ctg ctg
 Met Leu Leu Glu Gly Val Leu Leu
 1 5
 280 gta gtg caa gcc ttg cag ctt gcc aat gcc cta gac ctg ccc gct ggc
 Val Val Gln Ala Leu Gln Leu Ala Asn Ala Leu Asp Leu Pro Ala Gly
 10 15 20
 328 tcc tgc gcc ttt gaa gaa gac acg tgt ggc ttt gac tcc gtg ttt gcg
 Ser Cys Ala Phe Glu Glu Asp Thr Cys Gly Phe Asp Ser Val Phe Ala
 25 30 35 40
 370 ttt ctg cct tgg ata cta aat gag gaa ggt aag ggg act tcg
 Phe Leu Pro Trp Ile Leu Asn Glu Glu Gly Lys Gly Thr Ser
 45 50
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 490 ccaactctcc tgcagcaaaag agtggccagg gaaaccacgg gaaagggggc ggagggggaac
 550 agctgtgtac ctggctctga gcatgcgctc ctacccccag cacacctat tgaaggggac
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 670 ttgctagtct cagtggctac ttgcccagac tgagattgtc aaacggacta gctcacagga
 730 agctttgcag aaattttcca cacggttgtg agcgtcctct gtgctaagct ctcccacttt
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 910 tcagtcacat tactctgcac cgctgggggtt ccggtgacaa cgtttaagtg aaaaggagtc
 970 tgtgatgtgt tttctaccc ttcatgttta cagtaaaaaa aaaaaaaag ggcggccgc
 1029

Fig. 32

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Fig. 33

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

IPC(7) : Please See Extra Sheet.

US CL : Please See Extra Sheet.

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

U.S. : 435/69.1, 69.5, 71.1, 71.2, 325, 471, 252.3, 254.11, 320.1; 536/23.1, 23.5, 23.51, 24.3, 24.31; 530/350, 351

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched
NONE

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)

WEST, CAS ONLINE, MEDLINE, CAPLUS, BIOSIS

search terms: Tango, nucleic acid, DNA, polynucleotide, polypeptide, protein, method of making, vector, host cell

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X — Y	Database Genbank on STN, No. AA479992, HILLIER et al. "WashU-Merck EST Project 1997." Gene Sequence, Direct Submission, 08 August 1997.	1-4 — 5-10, 12

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This international report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:
2. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they relate to parts of the international application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful international search can be carried out, specifically:
3. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

Box II Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:

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1. ☐ As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers all searchable claims.
2. ☐ As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.
3. ☐ As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:
4. ☒ No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this international search report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.:
1-10, 12

Remark on Protest

- ☐ The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.
☐ No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER: IPC (7):

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BOX II. OBSERVATIONS WHERE UNITY OF INVENTION WAS LACKING

This ISA found multiple inventions as follows:

This application contains the following inventions or groups of inventions which are not so linked as to form a single inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1. In order for all inventions to be searched, the appropriate additional search fees must be paid.

Group I, claims 1-10, 12, drawn to a nucleic acid molecule, a vector, a host cell, a method for producing a polypeptide and the polypeptide encoded by the nucleic acid molecule.

Group II, claim 11, drawn to an antibody.

Group III, claims 13-15, drawn to a method for detecting the presence of a polypeptide in a sample using an antibody to the polypeptide.

Group IV, claims 16-18, drawn to a method for detecting the presence of a nucleic acid in a sample.

Group V, claims 19-22, drawn to a method for identifying a compound which binds to a polypeptide.

The inventions listed as Groups I-V do not relate to a single inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1 because, under PCT Rule 13.2, they lack the same or corresponding special technical features for the following reasons:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.475 (d), the ISA/US considers that where multiple products and processes are claimed, the main invention shall consist of the first invention of the category first mentioned in the claims and the first recited invention of each of the other categories related thereto. Accordingly, the main invention (Group I) comprises the first-recited product, a polynucleotide, a vector, a host cell, a method for producing the polypeptide and the polypeptide encoded by the polynucleotide. Further pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.475 (d), the ISA/US considers that any feature which the subsequently recited products and methods share with the main invention does not constitute a special technical feature within the meaning of PCT Rule 13.2 and that each of such products and methods accordingly defines a separate invention.